THE WEATHER.

Cloudy Saturday, Sunday unsettled, probably local rains.

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CURRENCY REFORM BILL PASSED SENATE 54 TO 34

Democrats Voted Solidly for Administration Measure When Time Came.

COMPLETED BY MONDAY NIGHT

Six Republicans and One Progressive Help Democrats to Pile Up Handsome Majority—Conference Committee.

Washington, Dec. 19.—The administration Currency Reform bill, proposing a revision of the financial system of the United States and the creation of regional reserve banks to act as stableizing elements in the banking and financial world, passed the Senate tonight by a vote of 54 to 34.

Forces that had fought together for improvement and amendment of the measure to the last, divided when the final vote came. Senator Hitchcock, who had led the opposition to the bill, returned to the Democratic ranks and Senator Weeks, one of the leaders on the Republican side, with five other Republicans and Senator Poindexter (Progressive) voted for the measure.

While differences exist between the form of the legislation passed by the Senate tonight and the bill passed by the House several months ago.

Democratic leaders already have partly adjusted these differences, however, and it was predicted tonight that the bill would be completed by a conference committee and sent to President Wilson for his signature by Monday night.

The adoption of the administration bill, known as the "Owen bill" followed upon the formal defeat by 44 to 41, of the "Hitchcock bill", which had been endorsed by Senator Hitchcock and the five Republican members of the evenly divided Senate committee that passed on the legislation. The Senate had previously rejected, without a roll call, a "central bank" bill offered as a substitute by Senator Burton.

How Votes Were Cast.

The Senators who voted for the Owen bill were:

Democrats—Ashurst, Bacon, Bankhead, Bryan, Chamberlain, Chilton, Clarke, Fletcher, Gore, Hitchcock, Hollis, Hughes, James, Johnson, Kern, Lane, Lea, Lewis, Martin, Martine, Myers, Newlands, O'Gorman, Overman, Owen, Pittman, Pomerene, Ransdell, Reed, Robinson, Saunsbury, Shafroth, Sheppard, Shields, Shively, Simmons, Smith, of Arizona; Smith, of Georgia; Smith, of Maryland; Smith, of South Carolina; Swanson, Thomas, Thompson, Tillman, Vardaman, Walsh and Williams—47.

Republicans—Crawford, Jones, Perkins, Norris, Sterling and Weeks—6.

Progressives—Poindexter.

Those who voted against the bill were:

Republicans—Borah, Bradley, Brady, Brandegee, Bristow, Burton, Catron, Clapp, Colt, Cummins, Dillingham, Dupont, Gallinger, Goff, Gronna, Jackson, Kenyon, LaFollette, Lippitt, McCumber, McLean, Nelson, Oliver, Page, Penrose, Root, Sherman, Smith, of Michigan; Smoot, Sutherland, Stephenson, Townsend, Warren and Works—34.

Absent and Paired—Burleigh, Clark, of Wyoming; Culberson, Fall, Lodge, Stone, Thornton; (vacancy, Alabama.)

Throughout the afternoon when a vote on the bill was momentarily expected, Mrs. Wilson, with a party of friends from the White House; Secretary McAdoo and Joseph P. Tumulty, President Wilson's secretary, were interested spectators. Mrs. Wilson stayed in the private gallery until 7 o'clock, but left before the bill had passed.

Galleries and the floor of the Senate were crowded throughout the day and passage of the measure was greeted with unchecked applause from the galleries.

To hasten final enactment of the bill, the Senate named tonight its conference committee, which will work with a House committee to compose the differences between the two bills. The members are Senators Owen, O'Gorman, Reed, Pomerene, Shafroth and Hollis, Democrats, and Nelson, Bristow and Crawford, Republicans.

Members of the House conference committee already determined upon are Representatives Glass and Korbly, Democrats, and Hayes, of California, Republican.

The House will name its conference committee tomorrow. It is believed but a short time will be required to reach a compromise.

Chief Differences.

Among the chief points of difference between House and Senate are the following:

The House provided for 12 regional banks; the Senate for "from 8 to 12" discretion being left to the Federal reserve board. The Senate added a provision creating a fund to guarantee the deposits of failed banks that are members of the reserve associations.

The House limited the re-discount of commercial paper at the regional banks to that maturing in 90 days; the Senate provided that 180 day agricultural paper could be accepted under certain limitations.

The gold reserve required of the regional reserve banks, against circulating notes was placed at 33 1-3 per cent by the House and at 40 per cent by the Senate.

Banks would be permitted to loan on five-year farm mortgages by the Senate bill, on one-year mortgages by the House bill.

Senator LaFollette proposed two amendments just before the bill came to a vote which caused a mild sensation. One of them was written into the bill and the other rejected by an overwhelming vote.

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The first provided that "no United States Senator or Representative in Congress shall be a member of a Federal reserve board, a director in a

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CONTINUE BIG TRIAL

More Testimony Taken in Society Murder Case.

Dead Woman Was Either Killed in Automobile Accident or by Members of An Automobile Party Late at Night.

Toms River, N. J., December 19.—According to testimony given today by witnesses for the defense, Mrs. Caroline Turner, for whose murder Joseph Moriarity is on trial here, was alive at 10:15 o'clock the evening of the day on which she is said to have been murdered. The theory of the defense is that she either was killed in an automobile accident or murdered by persons in an automobile. Mrs. Frances Buckingham testified that on the night of April 26th, the date Mrs. Turner was killed, she was aroused about 10:15 by a woman's screams and heard an automobile pass her house. She also heard men's voices.

The witness said the machine, driving up the approach to her house, ran into a tree and was partly wrecked. The driver was able to back the car into the road, however. A minute later Mrs. Buckingham heard groans. The woman in the automobile whose voice the witness identified as that of Mrs. Turner, screamed, "Oh, Mrs. Buckingham, help!"

The witness did not explain why she did not go to the woman's aid. Later she heard a noise, and found two men on the porch. One, she said, had a flashlight, and the other had raised a window. On her approach the men jumped into the automobile and drove away.

Mrs. Buckingham's testimony was partly corroborated by Enoch Walton, who said he had heard an automobile stop close to the place where Mrs. Turner's body was found.

Four witnesses, relatives or friends of Moriarity, testified that the defendant had been at home practically all afternoon on April 26th.

REMODELING CHINA.

Bankruptcy Causes New Republic to Change Methods.

Peking, Dec. 19.—President Yuan Shi Kai's plans for permanently doing away with the Chinese parliament today received the unqualified endorsement of the military and civil governors of all the provinces.

Since the anti-Manchu rebellion the provincial authorities and officials have been appropriating the revenues, while the central government has depended upon foreign loans.

The foreign bankers recently gave President Yuain Shi Kai to understand that bankruptcy was ahead unless conditions were immediately altered.

The government's drastic measures began about three months ago and included the disbanding of several regiments of soldiers, the retirement of army commanders without pay and the dismissal of provincial governors, while several rebellious colonels and many other disaffected persons were decapitated.

Boston, Dec. 19.—The death of Frank H. Rand, bursar and assistant treasurer of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, was announced in a telegram received today from Pinehurst, N. C., where Mr. Rand had gone for his health. Mr. Rand was born in Vermont 53 years ago.

TO PREVENT CONGESTION

Postoffice Department Using Every Effort to Prevent Delay of Parcel Post Packages.

Washington, Dec. 19.—Extraordinary efforts are being made by the Postoffice Department to prevent delays in the delivery of Christmas mail.

Practically every postoffice and mail route in the land is overwhelmed with parcel post matter, taxing to the utmost the facilities of the service. Postmaster General Burleson said tonight that the congestion had been prevented and promised there would be no delays.

"Anticipating the enormous volume of mail the service would be called upon to handle during the first Christmas season of the parcel post," he said, "the department has for 60 days or more been adjusting itself to the problem. The public can be assured that all parcels entrusted to the postal service will be handled with extreme care, dispatched without delay, and delay, and delivered promptly."

The substitute force of employes in nearly every city is being employed to the limit.

GIVEN 43 DAYS.

For Atttacking Cripple Shoe Maker in Germany.

Strassburg, Germany, Dec. 19.—Lieut. Baron Von Forstner—who was the cause of the recent troubles between the military and civilians at Zabern, Alsace—today was sentenced to 43 days imprisonment and deprived of his commission. He was charged with assaulting a lame shoemaker.

In the course of his testimony Von Forstner showed that he had acted in the way he did under "semi-compulsion." He testified that he had received repeated orders from the German army headquarters and from the regimental commander to adopt an aggressive attitude to stand no nonsense from civilians and to permit no insults or abuse.

The evidence given indicated that it was highly doubtful whether the shoemaker was at all culpable.

MORE TESTIMONY OF GRAFT STARTED

William H. Kelley Solicited Money From Corporations

UNREPORTED CONTRIBUTIONS

District Attorney Whitman Discovers Many Contributions to Democratic Campaign Fund That Were Not Reported.

New York, Dec. 19.—Testimony that William H. Kelly, Democratic leader of Onondaga county, solicited a campaign contribution from a corporation, an indictable offense, was adduced today at the State highways graft investigation. It also testified that Arthur A. McLean, treasurer of the Democratic State committee, accepted a contribution from a corporation, an offense for which he already stands twice indicted.

The evidence against Kelly was given by Isaac O .Cole, secretary of the Greece Construction Co., which holds State road contracts. Cole said that at Kelly's written request he went to Syracuse in October, 1911, to see Everett P. Fowler, the so-called Tammany "bagman". The witness said he missed Fowler at the committee's headquarters, but Kelly told him the State committee wanted a contribution from him.

He told Kelly that it was unlawful to make a contribution for a corporation, but Kelly, he swore, said, "that makes no difference." and gave him the address of Norman E. Mack, chairman of the Democratic State committee, as the person to whom to send his check. Cole said he sent his personal check to Mack and charged it to the corporation. The contribution was not reported so far as District Attorney Whitman knew.

McLean Up Again.

The new accusation against McLean was brought out in the testimony of C. H. Aikenhead, president of Aikenhead, Bailey & Donaldson, Inc. The witness said Mr. Bailey had been solicited for contribution by Fowler in 1912, and that the corporation had decided to contribute $500. Aikenhead produced a cancelled check for that amount made out to the order of McLean, signed with the name of the corporation and countersigned by himself and Donaldson. He also produced a receipt for that amount to which McLean's signature was affixed. This also was not reported, Mr. Whitman said.

Frank H. Falls, of Falls Brothers & Fletcher, another contracting corporation, testified he sent his personal check for $100 to McLean in 1912, at the solicitation of Fowler.

John Julian, of Brooks & Julian, a co-partnership, testified that he was asked to contribute by Fowler in 1911. Julian sent $500 to McLean. He said Fowler told him that the size of his job called for that amount.

Julius Frederich, of the Julius Frederich Co., another corporation, told of having been asked to contribute by Fowler both in 1911 and 1912. When he told Fowler his concern was a corporation, Fowler told him, he said, that he would accept a contribution from him as an individual. Accordingly he sent $250 individually to Norman E. Mack. This was charged against his corporation, he thought as "material."

MARSHALL ON PLATFORM

Vice President Has Contracted With Lyceum Bureau to Deliver Series of Lectures.

Chicago, Dec. 19.—It was announced today by a lyceum bureau here that Vice President Thomas R. Marshall has signed a contract to lecture at least four weeks, after the close of the present session of Congress. The Vice President will receive $300 a lecture, according to the announcement. His lecture tour, it is said, will cover cities in the middle west.

CHARLOTTE OBSERVER CASE IS DISMISED.

Gonzales and Hemphill Taxed With the Costs.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Greensboro, N. C., Dec. 19.—Judge James E. Boyd, in United States district court today, signed a decree dismissing the case of Ambrose E. Gonzales and J. C. Hemphill against D. A. Tompkins, George Stevens, W. H. Wood and the First National Bank, of Charlotte, known as The Observer case.

Plaintiffs were taxed with the costs. As a conclusion of law the court holds that there was no partnership between the parties and the contract between them is void under the laws of North Carolina.

Major Hemphill was formerly editor of the Charlotte Observer, and Mr. Gonzales, of the Columbia, S. C., State. The suit was for the appointment of a receiver for certain shares of stock in the Observer company, of Charlotte, transferred or alleged to have been transferred under an alleged contract, of September, 1911. It is ordered that the restraining order heretofore issued be set aside.

New Orleans, December 19.—The two steamers Brilliant and Hilton, which went aground at the mouth of the Mississippi yesterday in a fog, were pulled off today by tugs and proceeded undamaged. Both are bound for New York.

TELEPHONE TRUST SELF DISSOLVED

Give Up All Holdings in Western Union Telegraph Co.

WILL PREVENT LITIGATION

American Telephone and Telegraph Co., Follows Advice Given by Department of Justice and Will Dispose of Holdings.

Washington, Dec. 19.—Attorney General McReynolds tonight made public details of an agreement for reorganization of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company—the "telephone trust"—which will prevent litigation to dissolve that corporation under the anti-trust act. Under the agreement competitive conditions will be restored in the telephone service of the entire country, and the combine will dispose of its holdings in the Western Union Telegraph Company.

The organization plan originated with the company, although it followed many reports that a suit might be filed. It is regarded by Department of Justice officials as the most striking indication offered in a decade that "big business" has come to the conclusion that it is better to confirm to the Sherman law than fight it.

The plan met not only the approval of the attorney general and his chief "trust buster," G. C. Todd, and officials of the subsidiaries of the combine, but was heartily approved by President Wilson. In a letter to Mr. McReynolds, the President expressed his admiration for the attitude of the company and his conviction that such conduct on the part of business men meant a building up of business on sound and permanent lines.

Coming on the heels of the announcement that Postmaster General Burleson is seriously interested in government ownership of telephone lines, the action of the Department of Justice took on an added significance and some officials went so far as to express the opinion that it indicated that legislation to acquire the country's telephone business would not be pressed by the administration at the present session.

The Agreement in Brief.

In brief the agreement provides that:

The American Telephone and Telegraph Company will dispose promptly of its holdings in the Western Union Telegraph Company so that each concern shall be under distinct mnaagement and entirely independent of one another.

The company will not hereafter acquire control of other telephone companies and where control of telephone companies has been acquired, but no actual physical union has been effected, the American company will submit the course it is to pursue to the Inter-State Commerce Commission and to the Department of Justice.

The company will promptly make arrangements by which all other telephone companies in the United States shall have access to its toll lines.

Department officials tonight declared that the plan gave the government more than it could have hoped to obtain in court. Officials were particularly pleased with the agreement by which the Bell company gives long distance service to subscribers of other companies. Officials did not deny that they never had hoped to gain such a point by suit under the anti-trust act.

The agreement will not affect the suit entered several months ago to dissolve the connection of the Bell company with the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company, the West Coast branch. This suit will be pressed by the department to determine how far the Sherman anti-trust act applies to telephone companies.

President Wilson's letter, to the attorney general today was one of the most interesting documents made public inconnection with the settlement. It reads:

The President's Letter.

"My dear Mr. Attorney General:

"Thank you for letting me see the letter from the American Telephone and Telegraph Company. It is very gratifying that the company should thus volunteer to adjust its business to the conditions of competition.

"I gain the impression more and more from week to week that the business men of the country are sincerely desirous of conforming with the law, and it is very gratifying indeed to have occasion, as in this instance, to deal with them in complete frankness and to be able to shoy them that all we desire is an opportunity to co-operate

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OUTLINES

In a fight in Paris with another negro from Texas, Jack Johnson received a fractured arm.

Important changes in the list of rear admirals in charge of the Atlantic fleet has been announced.

Conditions in Mexico have developed into a waiting game. Both factions are waiting for the other side to either quit or start something.

By a vote of 54 to 34 the administration currency bill was passed by the Senate at 7:45 last night. The Democrats voted solid for the bill. One Progressive and six Republicans voted with them.

The American Telephone and Telegraph Company last night agreed to give up its interest in the Western Union Telegraph Company, and to effect a re-organization to conform to the interpretation of the anti-trust law by the Department of Justice.

New York markets: Wheat firm No. 2 red 100 to 101, No. 2 northern Duluth 99 1-4. Corn easy 74 3-4. Flour dull. Rosin quiet. Turpentine quiet. Money on call firm 3 to 3 1-2, ruling rate 3 1-2, closing 3 1-4 to 3 1-2. Time loans weaker. Spot cotton quiet; middling uplands 12.80; gulf 13.05; no sales.

WALKER TAYLOR TO SUCCEED B. F. KEITH

Seawell, Dockery and Logan are Dismissed

SUCCESSORS RECOMMENDED

Nominations of Winston, Dortch and Webb, However, Will Hardly Get Before Senate Prior to the Holidays.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Washington, D. C., Dec. 19.—Senators Simmons and Overman and Representative Godwin, at a conference held today, decided to recommend Col. Walker Taylor to be collector of the port at Wilmington. Collector B. F. Keith will be asked to resign at once, and, according to a statement made to The Star correspondent when he was here some weeks ago, there will be no trouble on this score. At that time Mr. Keith declared that he would hand in his resignation whenever the Secretary of the Treasury asked for it. It will be asked for immediately.

Seawell, Dockery, Logan Dismissed.

After a conference with Senators Simmons and Overman, Attorney General McReynolds announced that he had issued an order dismissing from the service District Attorney H. F. Seawell and Marshals Dockery and Logan. At the same time the attorney general went to the White House and recommended the appointment of Francis D. Winston to succeed Seawell and W. T. Dortch, of Goldsboro, and Charles A. Webb, of Asheville, to succeed Dockery and Logan, respectively. District Attorney Holton will not be fired until after Christmas. Pending an investigation and a talk with President Wilson with reference to the charges filed against W. C. Hammer, McReynolds will not make a recommendation for the western district attorneyship.

Winston, Dortch and Webb.

It is believed that it will be almost an impossibility to get the nominations of Winston, Dortch and Webb before the Senate before adjournment is taken for the holidays. Even if the nominations are sent in it is not thought possible to have them confirmed because there is sure to be delay because of Republican opposition to their confirmation.

Therefore, Federal Judges Boyd and Connor will be called upon to name men to fill the jobs temporarily. It is pretty well settled that Judge Connor will name Winston and Dortch pending their nominations. But in the west it is different. It is said that Judge Boyd may not select Webb. It is entirely within the right of the Federal judge to select whomsoever he may desire to fill such vacancies as now exist in North Carolina. Judge Boyd could select Tom Settle, Charley Cowles or Jim Grant to serve until the regular appointment is made, while it would be entirely within the province of Judge Connor to select Claudius Bernard or Sherwood Upchurch, of Raleigh, to succeed Marshal Dockery.

R. F. D. From Bolton.

Representative Godwin has secured the establishment of a rural delivery route from Bolton. Mr. Godwin, after a conference with the Postoffice Department, has arranged to have an inspector sent to the State to investigate as to the desirability of establishing railroad mail service on the Atlantic & Western between Lillington and Sanford. P. R. A.

MANY RADICAL DIFFERENCES

Of Opinion Are Responsible for Conditions, Says George—Removal Is Recommended.

New York, Dec. 19.—Radical differences of opinion between hostile factions were held responsible today by William R. George for the recent recommendation of the State Board of Charities, that he be removed from active participation in affairs of the George Junior Republic at Freeville, N. Y. Mr. George asserted his innocence of all charges made against him.

"It is maddening," he said, "after having established a reputation for good character and service, to have my name dragged in the mire as a debaucher of womanhood. Those who know me need no reassurance that I am perfectly innocent, but my tortures begin in earnest when I think of the tens of thousands of people to whom I have spoken on public platforms and that they may be saying 'It is true after all that Daddy George is a lying hypocrite.'

"The seed of the whole trouble is a radical difference of opinion between two hostile camps; those who believe in the self-governing principles of the Junior Republic as the best means for training boys and girls for good citizenship and those who believe in paternalism and discipline from above and institutional methods.

"A six-year-old charge, long ago investigated and discredited, even repudiated at one time by the one making it, has been dragged out with the idea of discrediting me.

"In 1912 at my insistence the National Association of Junior Republics appointed a joint committee to investigate everything about me from my birth. My entire life has been one of sexual purity, as certain detectives have found to their chagrin. This committee, in order to settle this thing once for all, secured as judges Joseph H. Choate, Samuel Seabury and Miss Lillian Wald to read all the testimony and give a verdict.

"Then suddenly the State board gives out a report carefully convicting me by innuendo, though not in so many words. This seems to have been done in an effort thoroughly to discredit me any my associates in the work for fear I shall be vindicated by the official investigating committee which has gone so intimately into my whole life and my whole work."

RELEASE AMERICANS FROM MEXICAN JAIL

Charge d'Affaires O'Shaughnessy Appeals Direct to Huerta.

RELEASE ORDERED AT ONGE

Long Dealing in Law to Secure Their Freedom is Ended and They Are Now at Liberty to Return to the States.

Mexico City, Dec. 19.—By appealing directly to Gen. Huerta today Nelson O'Shaughnessy, American charge d'affaires, obtained from him almost the immediate unequivocal consent to the release of three Americans now in jail, whose liberation has long been delayed by legal maneuvering. The men ordered set free by Gen. Huerta are A. J. Kidder, William Krause and John Parker.

It developed apparently that Gen. Huerta had known nothing of the incarceration of the men or efforts that had been made by Mr. O'Shaughnessy to procure their release.

He declared that as long as he is president he would not countenance any discrimination against Americans or any persecution of them because of nationality.

Parker is in jail at San Luis Potosi. He is charged with being implicated in a murder. Krause and Kidder are in jail here. The cases against the men are not to be dismissed, but the men will not be forced to remain in jail.

The conditions of release oblige the men to present themselves at the American embassy. Krause was general manager of the Sultepec Light & Power Co., of the State of Mexico. Several months ago he was arrested charged with sedition. No evidence has been brought against him.

Kidder was general traveling sales agent of the Waters-Pierce Oil Co. He was arrested charged with being a spy for the rebels and with complicity in the dynamiting of trains.

Zapata Issues Decree.

"The traitors, Huerta and Blanquet, after a very short process, will be publicly degraded and hanged from the balconies of the National Palace as a warning to all. The rest of the cabinet will be shot after being judged."

Such is the sentence passed by Emiliano Zapata in a circular dated Mila Alta, December 16th, which appeared in the capital tonight. It was addressed to the inhabitants of the City of Mexico.

Zapata says that at a war council it was resolved to take the city by fire and sword on a day which for the better success of the assault is to be unknown until the oment the fight begins."

Important Changes.

Washington, Dec. 19.—Some important changes among the admirals in command of the divisions of the Atlantic fleet engaged in Mexican waters or soon to be there, were announced today by the Navy Department. Rear Admiral Henry T. Mayo, recently aide for personnel, is en route to Vera Cruz to relieve Rear Admiral Frank A. Beatty, of the command of the fourth division, consisting of the Connecticut, Kansas and the Ohio (when the latter ship is released from quarantine and arrives there). Admiral Beatty will relieve Rear Admiral Comeron McR. Winslow, who will take the winter course at the naval war college. Rear Admiral Clifford J. Boush, commanding the second division, comprising the Louisiana and the New Hampshire, will sail northward with those ships upon the arrival at Vera Cruz tomorrow of the Kansas and Connecticut, the latter vessel being the flagship of Admiral Mayo. Rear Admiral Fletcher remains in command of the Mexican squadron.

Waiting Game.

Juarez, Mex., Dec. 19.—The situation in northern Mexico today appeared to be one of waiting, so far as military operations were concerned. Villa, rebel chief at Chihuahua, was waiting for word where he was to be joined by Gen. Carranza, head of the revolution, who now is at Hermosillo.

At Ojinaga, where practically all the Northern Federal forces are camped, preparations continued for what appeared to be a departure from that place. Gen. Mercado, Federal commander, who is to be relieved of active campaigning, had said he intended to march against Chihuahua, but others believed the Federals had another plan in mind, possibly an advance on Juarez.

A quarter of a million dollars in Mexican money was sent to Ojinaga by way of Marfa, Texas, to pay the Federal troops, who have been without funds for weeks.

Federals Desert.

Torres, Sonora, Dec. 19.—Ten officers and more than 500 troops of the Federal garrison at Guaymas have surrendered to the insurgents at Maytorna, the insurgent base above the gulf seaport, it was reported here tonight.

Deserters Disarmed.

Hermosillo, Dec. 19.—News of the surrender of a body of Federal troops tonight at Maytorena followed the report that the entire 10th battalion of infantry of the Federal army had been disarmed by Gen. Ojeda, Federal commander at Guaymas, who had discovered a plot of the men and officers to desert to the Constitutionalist side.

Chicago, Dec. 19.—Illinois Athletic Club swimmers bettered two inter-collegiate records in the contest with Northwestern University swimmers tonight. Perry McGillivray swam 190 yards in .58 1-5, cutting 3-5 of a second from the record. He also won the 220-yard swim in 2:31 3-5. The record was 2:34.

Christmas slippers, all kinds, at Peterson & Rulfs. (advertisement.) de 19-21-23.

JACK JOHNSON JOLTED.

Champion Hit Another "Nigger" So Hard He Broke His Arm.

Paris, Dec. 19.—Jack Johnson, the heavyweight champion, and "Battling" Jim Johnson, of Galveston, Texas, another negro pugilist, met in a 10-round contest here tonight which ended in a draw. The spectators loudly protested throughout that the men were not fighting, and demanded their money back.

The organizers of the fight asserted that Jack Johnson's left arm was broken in the third round.

There is no confirmation of a report that Jack Johnson had been stabbed, and no evidence at the ringside of such an incident. During the first three rounds he was obviously playing with his opponent. Later it was observed that he used only his right hand.

After the fight he complained that his arm had been injured. Doctors certified to a slight fracture of the radius of the left arm.

ONSLOW AGAINST STOCK LAW.

Vote Canvassed and Found to be 144 for and 1,015 Against.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Jacksonville, N. C., Dec. 19.—The vote in the county-wide stock law election held in Onslow Tuesday has been officially canvassed and the result found to be as follows: Total votes cast for stock law, 144; total votes against stock law, 1,015. All of the 22 precincts gave majorities against the stock law except Marines, which voted 12 to 12. In four precincts the entire vote cast was against stock law.

ELDER P. D. GOLD WEDS.

Bride is Mrs. E. A. Burton, of Winston-Salem—Wilson Interested.

Wilson, N. C., Dec. 19.—Wilson people were much interested in the announcement that Elder P. D. Gold, one of the most prominent ministers of the Primitive Baptist faith in North Carolina, was to be married last night, his bride being Mrs. E. A. Burton, of Winston-Salem.

WOLGAST-WHITE MILL A DRAW

Both Fighters Fought Hard and Tried for Knockout Blows, but Neither Succeeded.

Milwaukee, Wis., Dec. 19.—Charlie White, of Chicago, by brilliant boxing and hard lefts, shaded Ad Wolgast of Cadillac, Mich., in their ten round no decision boxing contest here tonight. The contest was one of the best ever held here.

The first round was even, White doing most of the leading. The second was also even, each landing heavily. Wolgast several times sent hard blows to the body, but White always came back with a blow to the face. White took a big lead in the third, raining lefts and rights to Wolgast's face and body almost at will.

The former champion appeared worried and landed only twice during this round. One of his blows was low, but White did not complain. White had a shade in the fourth.

The fifth opened with Wolgast forcing White to the ropes, but doing little damage. White almost sent his opponent through the ropes after a series of hard lefts and rights to the face, but Wolgast came back, playing for his antagonist's body.

The sixth was Wolgast's. He did most of the leading, several times having White against the ropes, sending right and left to the body and head. The round was a vicious one.

The seventh was even.

The eighth was severe, the men fighting viciously at all times. White, by landing oftener, had a slight shade. Wolgast was clearly tired in the ninth.

The tenth was vicious, each apparently striving for a knockout. Wolgast forced White to the ropes several times, but White fought cleverly, using his left to great advantage on Wolgast's face. When the round closed they were fighting hard, the session ending even.

NO LYNCHING FEARED

Adjutant General Reports from Lumber Bridge

Historical Commission to Publish Quarterly and "History of Western North Carolina"—Freight Rate Fight.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 19.—A telephone message from Adjutant General Laurence W. Young to Acting Governor Daughtridge was to the effect that there is every indication today that the negro, Dupree, who shot and killed Mr. Mark Brown, in Hoke county, near Lumber Bridge, Robeson county, will be captured speedily and that conditions have quieted down to the extent that there is strong hope that there will be no attempt at lynching either Dupree, if captured, or the other two negroes who were with him, and are now in custody.

General Young reached Lumber Bridge late last night, having gone from Raleigh to take matters in hand at the request of Governor Daughtridge. He bore instructions to spare no effort to avoid lynchings as well as to capture the fiendish fugitive.

Dupree was impudent to Mr. Brown who knocked him down while he was paying off a number of laborers, including Dupree. The latter hid in a powder house with a gun and waited until Brown came in. Then he fired a load of buckshot into his breast. He died a half hour later.

Historical Quarterly.

The State Historical Commission, at its annual meeting just held here, determined to begin at once a North Carolina Historical quarterly, exact title for which is not yet definitely settled. The report of Secretary R. D. W. Connor, of the commission, showed a very considerable accumulation of valuable historical material the past year. These include the papers of the late W. H. S. Burgwyn, papers of David L. Swain, papers of the late Dr. Jeffreys, of Wake county; papers of Gov. W. A. Graham, papers of Archibald D. Murphy, documents from the library of Congress, and the Fayetteville Observer files, from May 13th, 1825, to June 30th, 1864. The commission issued during the past year three bulletins and a North Carolina manuel.

History of Western North Carolina.

The commission decided to publish a "History of Western Carolina," written by J. A. Arthur, of Asheville, which treats of ten counties in the mountain region of the State. Also, the commission will publish the Wiley P. Mangum papers now in the possession of Dr. Stephen B. Weeks and being edited by him, and a complete biograph of North Carolina literature by Dr. Weeks that will contain about 15,000 titles. The commission decided to from time to time procure oil portraits of North Carolina historians to be plaed on the walls of the new commission quarters in the administration building to be occupied early in the new year.

Rate Case Soon Settled.

The members of the Corporation Commission returned today from Greensboro where they attended the bearings before Chairman Clark, of the Inter-State Commerce Commission, on the issue of applying the reduced inter-State freight rates in the proposal by the carriers accepted by the recent special session of the Legislature. Chairman Travis says he feels confident that there will be a speedy disposition of the matter and that the ruling of the Inter-State Commerce Commission will be favorable to North Carolina.

At the conclusion of the hearing Attorney General Bickett, on behalf of the State authorities, expressed deep appreciation to Chairman Clark for the interest he has manifested in this North Carolina case and the manner in which he has expidited the hearing. As the case now stands, all briefs must be in by January 15th and on that date the case is to be considered closed and ready for the Inter-State Commerce Commission to reach its final determination as to the issues.

Brunswick County Lumber Company.

A charter was issued today for two new corporations, as follows: The Brunswick County Lumber Company, of Wilmington, principal office at Navassa, capital $25,000 authorized and $10,000 subscribed by H. L. Beck, A. C. Beane and others for general lumber business.

DRESSED UP PICKPOCKET.

Bound Over to Grand Jury in Bristol, Virginia.

Bristol, Va., Dec. 19.—F. Taylor, alias Henry Locker and J. W. Boreland, well dressed strangers arrested yesterday at the union station as pickpockets, were tonight bound to the grand jury by the police justice. They at once applied to the corporation court to be admitted to bail, but the petition has not yet been acted upon.

Cleveland, O., Dec. 19.—The strike of waiters, which has prevailed in three local hotels since last Monday, came to an end tonight as far as two of the hotels are concerned. The waiters were granted better working conditions, a working week of six days and raising of $2.50 on the month.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 19.—Clay Dudley, of Newport News, second engineer of the New York, Philadelphia & Norfolk Railroad's tug Cape Charles, died in a hospital here today from bullet wounds accidentally inflicted by himself.

There is something wrong with the church pillar who sells his grain to the distillery for a better price than he can get at the flour mill.

If there is any company the devil thoroughly enjoys, it is probably that of the fault-finding man or the scolding woman.

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An American, visiting in England, encountered one afternoon in the hotel in London where he was stopping a Scottish kinsman. The Scot agreed to dine with the American, the cousins repaired to the grill, and after suitable preliminaries a steak was set before them. It was tough. The waiter was summoned. He was all apologies. Another steak would be forthcoming—or chops if the gentlemen preferred.

"Hold on," said the Scot, as his eye fell upon a dish of asparagus which supported the steak on one side. He carefully consulted the bill of fare. Asparagus was expensive just then. "I'll tell ye what we'll do, my man," he went on; "if ye'll no charge us for the asparagus we'll keep the steak."

The waiter seemed a bit startled, but accepted the compromise, and the American, who was paying the bill, concealed his amusement and allowed his guest's arrangement to stand. He even ate—sparingly—of the steak. A few days later he related the incident to another kinsman, also a Scot.

"It is what I should have done myself," said the other kinsman solemnly.

CRUST BEST PART OF LOAF

Richer Than the Crumb, and Stimulates Greatly the Flow of Digestive Juices.

Shall we eat the crumb of the bread or the crust? Ever since we were very young we have been told that if we ate the crusts our hair would surely be curly, but now there seems to be a scientific reason why we should eat them in preference to the inside of the bread. Crusts are really the most valuable part of the loaf.

According to Prof. Du Bois of Paris the crust contains less moisture than the crumb and so is richer in solid constituents. The crust has also a more pronounced bready flavor, being more tasty, and so stimulates better the flow of digestive juices.

Then, too, the crust is better digested in the mouth because of the difficulties in masticating it. If new bread were as thoroughly masticated as stale or dry bread is bound to be, there would be no reason why it would be any less digestible.

Man and Monkey.

The question of the simian ancestry of man has long been the subject of jest. From the zoological point of view it has been a matter of more serious concern as far as the position of men in any scheme of classification is involved. With the advent of modern methods of study applied to blood and the problems of immunity, data of a new sort have been furnished to bear on the real relationship of man to some of his animal competitors. To this evidence of blood relationship have now been added fresh facts derived from the study of nutrition. The long known contrast between man and the animals is thus made less striking by the discovery of those intermediate species exhibiting human characteristics in more than one way. The gap has been bridged by the studies on the anthropoid apes which have now furnished to science the reputable evidence for that relationship which the behavior of apes in vaudeville and elsewhere has strongly suggested.—From the Journal of the American Medical Association.

Puzzling English Pronunciation.

The puzzling place name (writes a correspondent) may be found all over England. I first realized that things are not what they seem when, one morning at Preston, in Lancashire, I inquired my way to Darwen, and was met by a blank stare. (It's "Darren," apparently.) But the greatest stumbling-block in the London district is probably the Pepys-road, at New Cross. A few years ago I lived hard by, and, when forced to allude to the road, I ventured—a little uncertainly—on "Peeps." Others—I think they were the majority—had it as "Peps." Then 'Peppis" had its votaries. While the variant that appeared to commend itself to the local tradesman was "Pepsiz."—London Chronicle.

As to Scratching of Heads.

Do savages scratch their heads? All puzzled or bewildered Europeans scratch their heads—the German slowly, the Frenchman jerkily, the Italian nervously, the Englishman vigorously. It is difficult to account for this universal white man's expression of puzzledom, unless he has an instinct that the titallation of the scalp wakes up the brain. Uncle Remus scratched his head when the little boy's questions were particularly perplexing, but Uncle Remus may have learned the trick from his white masters. Did his aboriginal forbears scratch their heads in the presence of an aboriginal problem?

Finest English Prose.

George Saintsbury in his "History of English Prose Rhythm," declared that "one of the highest points of English prose is probably reached in the Authorized Version of the sixtieth chapter of Isaiah," beginning, "Arise, shine." No other translation in any language, he says, can vie with English in the splendor of this passage as it appears in the 1611 version. "So long as a single copy of the version of 1611 survives," he avers, "so long will there be accessible the best words of the best time of English."

One of the worst habits for our mental strength as well as for our happiness, is that of self-pity. It takes the fiber from character and makes poor, flabby souls.

VERMONT IS IN PORT

Little Navy Tugs Have More Than They Can Handle

Trying to Bring Big Battleship Into Norfolk Navy Yard—To Examine Bottom in Glass Tube. To Make Inspection.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 19.—After struggling with the battleship Vermont for over 12 hours in an attempt to tow the disabled vessel to the Norfolk navy yard, three naval tugs tonight are lying alongside the warship off Sewall's Point at the entrance to Norfolk harbor. The Vermont, in tow of the battleship Delaware, was met off the Virginia capes this morning by the tugs Massoit and Hercules from the Norfolk navy yard. The Sonoma, from New York, met the vessel some miles below the capes.

When they reached the capes the Delaware turned her helpless charge over to the tugs and she steamed into Hampton Roads. The tugs tried for several hours to enter the capes with the Vermont, but experienced difficulty in keeping a straight course. The tide was against them and the Vermont in her helpless condition proved a heavy and dangerous burden.

The tugs had orders to bring the Vermont to the yard tonight and were making a gallant effort to do so when they found it almost impossible. Late tonight they decided to anchor the ship until morning, when another start for Norfolk will be made.

Rear Admiral Usher says the damage to the ship is not great. The three compartments reported flooded are not really compartments, he says. They are oonly inconsequential sections of the ship. The biggest damage is to her propeller shaft and machinery.

Divers will examine her bottom before she is placed in dry dock. It was said tonight that officials of the ship and yard might go down in the Williamson submarine tube to examine the ship's bottom. This tube has a chamber at the end that can accommodate three persons at the same time. Photographs were taken on the bottom of Hampton Roads in one of these tubes several months ago and the Navy Department has had one at the yard for several weeks waiting an opportunity to test its value in ascertaining damage to ships below the water line.

ASSISTANT POSTMASTERS EXEMPT FROM EXAMS.

Civil Service Examinations Need Not be Taken by Them.

Washington, Dec. 19.—All assistant postmasters will be exempted from the Civil Service under the post office appropriation bill completed today by the House Committee on Postoffices, and to be reported immediately after the holiday recess. The Democrats of the committee voted to put into the measure a provision substantially similar to the one in the Sundry Civil bill under which Deputy Collectors and Deputy Marshals were exempted from civil service.

The bill carries approximately $303,000,000, a cut of about $3,000,000 from the estimates of the postoffice department.

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The Atlantic Coast Line operates through Pullman cars to Key West and to Port Tampa connecting at both ports with steamships for Havana. Tickets good via either route.

Arrangements will be made to accommodate passengers leaving Jacksonville at 1:15 P. M. Sunday, December 21st, via the Flagler System, the "Over-Sea Railroad", and steamship from Key West; and leaving Jacksonville at 1:30 P. M., via Atlantic Coast Line, thence to Port Tampa and steamship which touches at Key West en route to Havana.

F. M. Jolly, Traffic Agent of the Atlantic Coast Line, who has resided in Hanava fourteen Winters, will accompany the excursion, and render assistance to passengers en route and in the matter of hotel accommodations, sight-seeing, etc., in Cuba.

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NORTH CAROLINA, NEW HANOVER County—In the Superior Court.

W. Z. Williams Company, Inc., vs Joseph H. Sands Contracting Company.

The defendant in the above entitled action will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of New Hanover County, State of North Carolina, to recover on breach of contract for the failure of the defendant to pay Twenty-One Thousand Five Hundred and Fifty and 80-100 Dollars ($21,550.80); and the said defendant will further take notice that he is required to appear at the next term of the Superior Court of said county, to be held on the first Monday in January, 1914, at the Courthouse of said county, in Wilmington, North Carolina, and answer or demur to the complaint of the plaintiff in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

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RAILROADS SINCERE

In Desire to Put Rate Compromise Into Effect

This the Opinion of Those Who Attended Hearing at Greensboro. They Fear Results of Failure to Do So.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Greensboro, N. C., Dec. 19.—That the carriers doing business in North Carolina are sincere in wanting to put into effect the freight rates agreed upon with North Carolina officials and representatives, is the opinion of those who attended the hearing before Chairman Clark, of the Interstate Commerce Commission, here this week. In addition to the masterly opening statement of General Counsel Thom, of the Southern, for all the carriers, representatives of other roads expressed like sentiments. All admitted that Virginia had been getting decided advantages over North Carolina.

Before the adjournment of the hearing yesterday, Mr. E. T. Cansler, the well known Charlotte attorney, representing the Seaboard Air Line, presented the following statement of General Counsel Watts, of the Seaboard:

Seaboard and Southern Agree.

"The Seaboard Air Line railway, through its general counsel, Leigh R. Watts, desires to hereby most heartily endorse the statement made by the general counsel of the Southern Railway Company, at the opening of this hearing, in behalf of all the carriers, setting forth the reasons why the carriers earnestly desire the sanction, by the Interstate Commerce Commission, of the rates fixed in the compromise agreement entered into between the State of North Carolina and the carriers operating therein, and desires to further emphasize the fact, that, on account of the unprecedentedly low freight rates enjoyed by Virginia cities, the new rates proposed for North Carolina are necessary to relieve the people of the State from the flagrantly unjust discrimination which has so long prevailed in favor of the Virginia cities to the lasting injury of their North Carolina competitors.

Fear Results of Failure.

"If the representatives of the Virginia cities should succeed in thwarting the carriers in their honest efforts to keep faith with the State of North Carolina in the reduction of rates provided in the compromise agreement, Virginia will have been thereby not only rewarded in her selfish policy, but the people of North Carolina, blinded by their disappointment, will seek to hold the carriers, at least in part, responsible for the result, and the heretofore more or less strained relations existing between the carriers and the people will be thereby intensified to the irreparable injury of both. On the other hand, if the compromise rates are permitted to go into effect, the carriers have every reason to believe that North Carolina will not only be thereby placed upon a fairer competitive basis with Virginia, but that peace and harmony between her people and the carriers will be restored within her borders, which facts the carriers feel should receive weighty consideration by the honorable commission in passing upon their petition."

Confident as to Result.

Attorney General Bickett, Chairman Travis, Secretary Forester, President Tate and others who participated in the hearing, were very much impressed with the ability and fairness of Chairman Clark and feel very confident as to the result. They also commended the stand of the railroads. At several turns in the case the carriers announced other concessions in order to eliminate violations of what is known as "the long and short haul clause."

There was at the same time criticism of the attitude of the Virginia cities, not only on account of their intervention, but more especially for their evident attempts to mislead the commission and to get into the record a great deal of irrelevant matter. Even Chairman Clark emphasized this point.

Chairman Clark's Career.

Chairman Clark is a man who worked himself up from a flagman's place, through the position of conductor and other offices, until he finally landed at the position he now holds, one of the most important under the Federal government. From here he went to Montgomery, Ala., where he will hold hearings.

Secretary Forester, of the Greensboro chamber of commerce, is of the opinion that the rates will go into effect within 60 days. He thinks that if the commission should decide against the State and carriers, which is not likely, that the rates will be slightly changed and the routing changed so that it will conform to the Interstate Commerce act and the rates given effect.

TONY BEASTLY DRUNK.

Bruin Gives His Keeper Unkind Treatment.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Washington, N. C., Dec. 19.—Having been a very well behaved and friendly animal all his life, the keeper of "Tony", a wrestling bear with the outfit of James Adams, proprietor of a "floating vaudeville theatre" now building at a Washington, N. C., shipyard, was surprised when he visited Bruin in a loft where he is kept by an excessive hug and rough treatment. The bear knocked the man down, slapped him in the face sufficiently hard to loosen several teeth and start his nose to bleeding, and finally embraced him with a zeal that was decidedly uncomfortable for the then prostrate keeper.

When he escaped the trainer started an investigation. It developed that Tony, a native of North Carolina, and who has a liking for soda water in bottles, had been a host to unscrupulous friends. He was literally "beastly" drunk. His antics for some time were so unusual that the keeper stayed out of the bear's range.

NEW WATER SYSTEM.

To be Completed and in Operation by March 1st.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 19.—The Raleigh commissioners expect to have Raleigh's practically new water system completed and in operation by March 1st, this to include the 250,000,000 gallon water basin that is to cover 110 acres and is now being gotten in order. The city is spending about $100,000 in rehabilitating the plant which was purchased from the Wake Water Co., and being municipally operated. A complete outfit of filtration is just installed and being gotten in operation.

Christmas slippers, all kinds, at Peterson & Rulfs. (advertisement.)
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TRINITY CLOSES FOR HOLIDAYS.

Dr Atkins to Coach Another Year—Inter-Society Debate.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Durham, N. C., Dec. 19.—Trinity College closed today at one o'clock for the Christmas holidays, which will extend through the remainder of the present month and until January 2nd.

It has been definitely decided by the athletic authorities that Dr. Merle T. Atkins, late of the Baltimore Orioles, will be secured again to coach Trinity's baseball team. "Doc" Atkins has acted in the capacity of coach for the Trinity fellows for the past several seasons and has turned out some fairly successful teams.

The biggest occasion in the way of a debate during the Fall term was last night when the 20th annual inter-society debate was held in the Craven Memorial Hall. The question upon which the contention was based was: "Resolved, that the United States should spend more money than at present for naval armaments." The Columbian Society upheld the affirmative through the following representations: B. W. Barnard, Asheville; H. E. Myers, Swan Station, N. C.; Horace Grigg, Lawndale, N. C. The Hesperian Society, represented by John W. Carr, Charlotte; G. S. Sexton, Dallas, Texas, and H. B. Hill, Sunbury, N. C., defended the negative. The Columbians with the affirmative, won the decision of the judges, who were Hon. J. H. Southgate, Mr. W. L. Foushee and Mr. Jones Fuller, all of Durham.

Immediately after the debate the Hesperians met in the hall in a consolation feast. Speeches were made and refreshments served.

The engineering students met recently and organized an Engineers' Club. A constitution was drawn up and adopted. The following officers were elected: President, Frank W. Elliott; vice president, E. P. Love; secretary-treasurer, W. D. Hyland. The question discussed at the first regular meeting of the club was the Panama canal. F. W. Elliott read an interesting paper on the historical side of the question. This was followed by a series of lantern projections of views and diagrams showing the canal and the canal zone with explanatory words of Professors Dennegan and Edwards. Mr. W. D. Hyland read an essay which viewed the canal from an economic standpoint.

The December issue of the Archive is quite an attractive magazine. It contains several short stories of real merit. The poetry is not up to the usual standard, but the fiction makes up for that deficiency.

WINS $1,000 AND A BRIDE.

Good Luck Provided "Nest Egg" Prudent Girl Demanded.

William Kline met Florence Sherman nine weeks ago and fell in love with her, says The Philadelphia Ledger. He fell so deeply in love that he asked her to marry him, but his plans took no account of the fact that it would be necessary to have a small bank account with which to start housekeeping.

Miss Sherman considered the proposal and concluded that it would not be nice to start a home without funds to furnish it, so she refused. She left a proviso, however, to the effect, that if Kline obtained $1,000 she would be his bride.

Kline argued and pleaded, but in vain. Miss Sherman was obdurate, so Kline departed with his mind made up to get the $1,000 or die in the attempt. His determination grew weak, however, as the world's series approached, and he forgot all about his prospects of a happy married life, so he went to the first game.

That day he made a little bet with a friend on the Athletics. He won, and returned home with several hundred dollars to the good. Then the thoughts of his bride-to-be came back to him and, with the sum already in his possession, he took new courage and set out to get the rest of the $1,000.

The weeks passed, and, try as he would, he could not increase his savings. As election day approached he began to give up all hope of ever getting together the nest egg Miss Sherman demanded.

Then along came another friend and offered a wager on the result of the election. Kline concluded it might as well be all or nothing, and bet all he had left on the organization ticket to win. The organization won. So did Kline, and, with a little more than $1,000 in his pocket, he dashed to Miss Sherman's home, at 520 Fernon street, and broke the news to her. The date was set then and there and the happy couple set out to buy furniture and rugs and crockery and frying pans and things for their home.

Saturday the lease was signed and the furnishings dispatched to the new home, and yesterday Kline and Miss Sherman were married by Rabbi Leibhal at the latter's home, 716 Pine street. Kline says he will never bet on anything again, because the next time he might lose.

DISGUSTED WITH LONG STAPLE.

Sampson Farmers Made Meagre Success—Tobacco Next.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Clinton, N. C., Dec. 19.—Sampson county farmers who experimented with long staple cotton this season are disgusted with the meagre success of their efforts, according to a report that has reached Clinton. A number of the planters in the vicinity of Salemburg tried out the long staple in the hope of making larger returns than the short staple had been bringing in, and the majority report failures. Short staple cotton, however, notwithstanding the section was swept with the remainder of eastern North Carolina by the severe storm of September 3rd, produced almost a normal crop. In preference to long staple, the usual variety will be planted almost exclusively in the vicinity in 1914.

Sampson's tobacco crop next year will surpass any previous crop of the golden weed there with favorable climatic conditions, the merchants of Clinton and farmers of the county having combined to boom the market in the county seat. Preparations are being made to open warehouses and to establish a corps of buyers in the town, and prizes aggregating hundreds of dollars have already been announced as an impetus to the industry. Geo. H. Beall, of Durham, will conduct a warehouse. Free seed will be distributed to the planters and they will be encouraged in other ways to plant extensively.

VERDICT FOR $2,500.

Returned in Case of Sturges Vs. Portis Mining Co.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 19.—In the case of S. E. Sturges, administrator for P. C. Sturges, vs. Portis Mining Co., of Franklin county, on trial in the Federal court the past three days, the jury returned a verdict for $2,500. The suit was for $10,000. P. C. Sturges was killed through the caving in of a 14-foot embankment in the mine.

Christmas slippers, al kinds, at Peterson & Rulfs. (advertisement.)
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MAJOR GRAHAM TELLS OF COTTON BOLL OPENER.

Thinks Prospects Good for Satisfactory Utility.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 19.—Major W. A. Graham, commissioner of agriculture, just back from Columbia where he went to witness a demonstration of a new patented machine for opening bolls of cotton closed by frost, talks interestingly of the machine and its operation and the prospect for satisfactory utility. He says the process is to pass the unopened bolls over a heated revolving floor, the top of the box being open. The moisture in the bolls is changed into steam and causes the lint in the boll to expand and burst it as the sun would have done if the frost had not come.

When the bolls had not been caught by the frost too early or were too undeveloped, the bolls were cracked. The work seemed to be better, Major Graham says, on long staple cotton than on short staple because there was more lint or lint further developed in the long than in the short staple.

The invention is to have this steaming machine attached to a hulling gin to which the opened cotton will be conveyed and ginned. But only the steaming machinery was exhibited. The plan is to gather the stalks with the unopened bolls after the opened cotton is picked and put the unopened bolls through this process.

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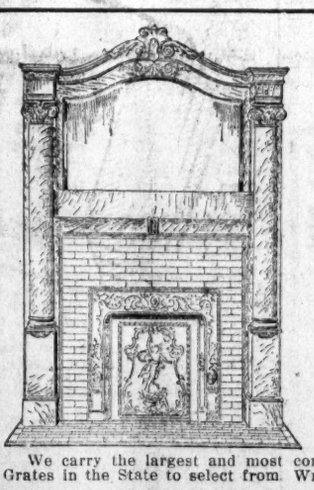
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No. 81. * 5:35 A.M.	Chadbourn, Conway, Florence, Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, Ft. Myers, Columbia and Asheville. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Columbia, open to receive passengers at Wilmington at and after 10:00 P. M., and may be occupied until 7:00 A. M.	No. 80. *12:30 A.M.
No. 64. ! 5:50 A.M.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate stations.	No. 65. ! 6:25 P.M.
No. 48. * 8:30 A.M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Washington. Pullman Parlor Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk, connecting at Rocky Mount with New York trains with Pullman Service.	No. 49. * 6:15 P.M.
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No. 55. * 3:15 P.M.	Chadbourn, Conway, Florence, Charleston, Savannah, All Florida Points, Columbia, Asheville and the West. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Columbia.	No. 54. * 1:40 P.M.
No. 62. * 3:25 P.M.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate stations.	No. 63. *12:50 P.M.
No. 59. * 6:30 P.M.	Fayetteville, Sanford and Intermediate stations.	No. 60. !10:15 A.M.
No. 42. * 6:45 P.M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk, Washington and New York. Pullman Brailer Buffet Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with New York trains, with Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk	No. 41. 10:00 A.M.
No. 57. ! 7:00 P.M.	Chadbourn, Florence, Conway and Intermediate stations.	No. 58. ! 9:45 A.M.

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IN EFFECT OCTOBER 6th, 1913.

Winter Park, Wrightsville, Wrightsville Beach and Intermediate Points.

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Saturday, December 20, 1913.

War is no Sunday school in Mexico.

Quite a number of men are the original spugs.

The man who has no Christmas spirit in him is haunted by the spirit of selfishness.

What has become of the old fashioned lady who used to be a pretty girl named Tabitha Ann?

The mule inherited enough horse sense to keep him from being fool enough to run away like a horse.

The question before the house in Wilmington is whether we shall build factories or neglect to do so till the next census gives us away.

Tennis balls are to be a dolar cheaper by the dozen, but the average man would rather hear something about a decline in codfish balls.

Men in Paris are now tieing ribbon in their hair. It would be just like those French "Lizzies" to begin wearing ticklers in the back of their hats.

A lot of Christmas whiskey has been seized in South Carolina. "Uv a Chrismus," as they say down there, lots of them seize all of it they can get.

If people knew foreigners better they would think better of them. In this country we are too prone to judge all foreigners by a class of them that are objectionable.

The "check flasher" is a fellow with a slit head. When a piker wants to set a trap for himself he uses bogus checks and gets in it along the line of least resistance. An innocent bystander has a better showing.

If there is anything in a name, the Salisbury Industrial Club is bound to be a rousing organization. Its president is Mr. H. A. Rouzer, who is young, vigorous and intelligent, and whose actions are suited to his name.

"Get ready the Christmas smile," says Sky-Land Magazine. Yes, indulge in a cherry smile, but be careful how you take a smile with a cherry in it. Don't go around with the dry grins just because the lid happens to be on.

Washington wants a square deal of some sort or other. As it is governed by Congress through a commission form of government, it would seem that Washington wouldn't have to make a noise like it is about to be shoved off the dock.

The Republican party expects to wash itself of its sins and stand as near in to Armageddon as it can get. Anyhow, it must show signs of wanting to make junk of all its ancient landmarks and stand for whatever Armageddon stands for—taird term and all.

Special interests in this country have been guilty of wrong-doing so long that measures to correct evils do harm when they are rigorously enforced. It is a curious state of affairs that an evil system has to be broken up gradually in order to keep from undermining confidence.

In its account of a wedding, a newspaper said "the bride took one of our most popular young men for butter or worse." Of course, she got mad because she didn't want anything worse than some of the butter that we have to buy because we don't and won't make any kind in this part of the country.

An Indiana girl acknowledges that she was engaged to 50 men for what she could get out of them in the way of diamond rings, jewelry, presents and money. Most girls are content with making a fool of one man, but the Indiana elf made it her business to make love a leg-pulling affair because she knew there were a lot more fools than one.

Announcement is made that Australia is building ships so that country can increase its commerce with the United States when the Panama canal is open for traffic. The reason that the Australians are building ships is that they can't engage in commerce without ships. In this country we do a lot of export and import business by using foreign vessels and imagine we are engaged in commerce.

GET BEHIND THE INLAND WATERWAY.

Practically, the Panama canal has been completed, its opening to traffic now being a matter of dredging out the debris carried into the channel by slides from the eminences adjacent to the canal. We are now told that unless another serious slide takes place it is possible for the first ship to pass through within the next thirty days, probably about the middle of January. The great work itself, however, is a finished project, so that the next constructive work of the government will be to push the work on the Atlantic coastal waterway, which is to furnish an inside route along the Atlantic for a large part of the commerce of this country.

From a commercial standpoint, the whole country is interested in such a National improvement as the intracoastal waterway will be. It will be a tremendous aid to the commerce of the company and from that angle, it cannot be said that it is a local or sectional project concerning alone the Atlantic States from Maine to Florida. The government already has adopted the project and progress has been made upon it. However, the government needs to become enthusiastic over this great internal improvement because of its prospective usefulness and its magnitude as a National project, yet more important to the country's commerce than it is as a difficult engineering problem. Indeed, the government's most eminent engineers not only endorse its feasibility but are convinced of its absolute usefulness as a great waterway.

At the sixth annual meeting of the Atlantic Deeper Waterways Association at Jacksonville, Fla., November 18th, Congressman J. Hampton Moore, of Pennsylvania, as its president devoted his annual address to a discussion of the Atlantic coastal waterway, detailed the plan and recounted the progress upon the work. He congratulates the association upon the marked progress that has been made in promoting this waterway project since it was organized in 1907. There has been some delays and disappointments during the six years, but Mr. Moore declared in triumph that agitation has brought us nearer the goal, while the year just ended finds the government in possession of full reports by the United States army engineers upon every section of the project from New England to Florida. In discussing some phases of the reports of the engineers, especially concerning the main project from Boston to Beaufort, N. C., which has been approved, Mr. Moore said:

"The report also approved the construction of the Delaware and Raritan link across New Jersey at a cost of $20,000,000. Then in September the final report was made upon the section from Beaufort, N. C., south to the St. Johns river, inside of Cape Lookout and Cape Fear and the dangerous shoals extending beyond them. Here again the feasibility as well as the commercial and lifesaving properties of the inside passage were approved. The depth suggested was seven feet and the cost $14,400,000. Unfortunately, neither of these final reports was in hand when the last river and harbor bill was before Congress, so that the effort then made to provide for the taking over of the Chesapeake & Delaware canal as contemplated by the New London resolutions was unsuccessful. Another opportunity to press this matter will soon be presented, however, and if the positive endorsement of the War Department is duly supported by the commercial and industrial bodies along the coast, the long-expected and long-deferred approval of Congress should permit the work to be started at once. This is one of the urgent problems to which the convention should direct its energies."

The above remark of Mr. Moore serves to remind the commercial bodies of all our cities along the projected waterway, that one of the important things they should do early the coming year is to take the necessary action that will hurry up the government on this work. Mr. Moore's Jacksonville address was considered of such great interest and importance that it was printed in the Congressional Record, December 1st, and is being sent out as a public document. It is a good one, too, and it ought to arouse all the country, especially the Atlantic coast part of it, to earnest and enthusiastic efforts to secure the early completion of this coastwise canal. In his address, Mr. Moore presented strong reasons why this waterway should be opened as soon as possible, and among other interesting things he said was the following:

"The recommendations of the army engineers show that we can obtain the two sections of our intra-coastal waterway south of New England for $30,500,000. They have reported that the southern link from Beaufort, N. C., to the St. Johns river can be completed for $14,400,000. A seven-foot channel along the coast of South Carolina through Georgia into Florida is now assured in certain parts, but the link running from Beaufort Inlet, below Cape Hatteras, is not complete, and Cape Lookout and Cape Fear, with Frying Pan and Diamond Shoals, are still terrors to the mariner. The morning papers of Tuesday last—November 10th—in ten-line dispatches from Beaufort, N. C., make the announcement that 'without a soul aboard, the barge J. R. Tell, lumber laden, was dashed ashore at Cape Lookout Beach today during a raging southwest gale. The vessel's boat was lashed to the cabin top, and it is believed that the crew was taken off at sea by the tug that had her in tow.' Another dispatch informs us that the Tell was bound from Jacksonville to Philadelphia or New York. This brings the incident home direct to this convention. Why was this lumber-laden barge driven into the sea? The people of the Northern States are consumers of southern lumber, of southern naval stores. These are not perishable goods that have to be delivered overnight. Why, then, was this lumber-laden barge sent to sea, risking the lives of the crew and involving a property loss to both producer and consumer? The question is not sectional nor does it pertain to any State. The business that these barges do upon the high seas is inter-State and National—surely as National and inter-State as the construction of levees for flood prevention or for the irrigation of arid lands or for the reclamation of swamps. It is not a business proposition to send these barges to sea, whether they be laden with coal or with lumber or with farm products, because the cost of barge service by the outside route from between points like Wilmington, N. C., and New York is from $5 to $5.50 per thousand feet of lumber, whereas the cost of delivery by the inside route, through the North Carolina sounds to Baltimore or Philadelphia, is quoted at approximately $2.50 per thousand feet."

This brings the subject close home to Wilmington and we hope our commercial bodies will act as soon as they can upon Mr. Moore's suggestion. He and Congressman Small doubtless would be glad to advise about the course which it is necessary to pursue.

THE DAIRYING INDUSTRY.

The Whiteville News-Reporter states that Mr. F. A. Newman, who has a farm about a mile south of Vineland, has started a dairy business and will serve Whiteville and Vineland with milk and butter to be delivered every day. Mr. Newman is starting in a small way but there is plenty of opportunity for him to make a success, even if it is necessary to get the neighboring farmers to cooperate with him. Whiteville and Vineland will require a considerable milk and butter production, but if they don't take all a larger dairy there can produce, Wilmington is right here to take the product of probably fifty ordinary dairies.

Yesterday we had an editorial on the co-operative dairy at Hickory, and estimated its butter production at 100,000 pounds a year. The Hickory Democrat of Thursday informs us that at the annual meeting of the Catawba Creamery on Saturday it was shown that during the six months from June 1st, the butter product was 89,000 pounds. At that rate for another six months the year's product would be 178,000 pounds, so it comes nearer doubling the estimate which we used merely as an illustration in Friday morning's paper. During the last six months the creamery's product equalled the entire product the previous year. That means that in twelve months the creamery's business doubled.

At the annual meeting that showing made it necessary to take action for enlarging the business the coming year. New milk routes are constantly being established, and plans have been made to put automobiles on the route to pick up milk, eggs and country produce in Catawba and Lincoln counties. With automobiles making faster trips, the creamery management expects to be able to pick up and handle everything the farmers produce. The creamery is now shipping eggs in carload lots to New York and other markets, and the enterprise seems destined to make Hickory famous.

The Democrat says the business of the creamery is expanding rapidly and has proven to be a great success in every way.

ARGENTINE MAY HOLD UP MEAT EXPORTS.

Meat exports to the United States and Europe from Argentina are making a meat problem for Argentina consumers themselves. The demand in this country and Europe has increased the price in South America and while we could hardly expect to get more than the surplus stock in that country, we are drawing on the supply that Argentina needs for herself. We are, therefore, in competition with Argentina consumers as purchasers of meats, and already we hear that the Argentine government instead of rejoicing that it has a new market in the United States, is contemplating an embargo on the foreign shipment of meats. While on a trip to Washington a few days ago, Mr. Albert U. Watson, formerly of Chicago, but now a resident of Buenos Ayres, said in an interview published in the Washington Post:

"That the United States, under its new Democratic tariff law, which lets in cattle and meats free of duty, can reasonably expect any relief from South American countries, appears to persons familiar with conditions in those countries entirely unwarranted. It is a fact beyond dispute that the cost of living in the Argentine and other South American republic is as high, if not higher, than in the United States. Prices of meats, milk, fruit, eggs, and vegetables for the greater part of the year are so elevated as to be practically beyond the reach of that enormous mass of the population enjoying no income beyond a limited salary or a precarious daily wage. In the face of this condition, it is a fact that there is an annual exportation of articles of prime necessity that last year approximated $100,000,000. Most of these exports go to England, which is the preferred market. It would take a great deal of work to induce the Argentine producers to send their supplies to America instead of to England.

"With this country and others bidding for Argentine beef and other products, the people of that country are prone to offer their products at prices which appear to them higher than they can obtain at home, and doubtless, in a sense this is true. But the time will surely come and it is not far distant, when Argentina will demand that its products remain at home. Prices of food products cannot continue to increase there without the government taking action looking to restriction of exports. Self-preservation is the first law of nature, and it is not reasonable to expect that South America is going to become a benefactor for the rest of the world at the expense of her own people."

We have never believed that the surplus meats in South America and Australia would long meet the demands in Europe and America, so in the South we may take what Mr. Watson says as fair warning that we had better begin to raise our own beef, mutton, pork and other meat supplies. That makes the cattle industry for the South a most attractive proposition and the sooner Southern farmers realize it the better will be their position to engage in an industry that will diversify their farm activities.

THE FREIGHT RATE HEARING.

The freight reduction hearing before Chairman Edward E. Clark, of the Interstate Commerce Commission was concluded at Greensboro on Thursday. He heard the joint petition and agreement of the railroads and the people of North Carolina to put into effect the reduced freight rates agreed upon for North Carolina and also heard the protests of Knoxville, Norfolk, Richmond, Petersburg and Roanoke against the new adjustment or some portions of it.

It is said Chairman Clark incidentally led the North Carolina interests to believe that the new rates will be ordered into effect at an early day and that any further objections will be heard if there should be any developed from operation of the new adjustment. That means that the rates will be put on trial and inequalities will be adjusted later as they appear.

The sooner the matter is settled the better, so North Carolina can get down to business. She wants no discrimination in her favor and that certainly ought to be all the Virginia points should ask for themselves.

Justice should reach out and yank in that Philadelphia man who has been swindling poets by inducing them to send him from $7 to $21 for setting their effusions to music. If there ever was a time when the majesty of the law should be vindicated in a savage and malicious manner it is when any individual should harness up Pegasus and hitch him to a cart load of graft.

CURRENT COMMENT.

We are not worrying because the new rate may work a disadvantage to Virginia cities. It has been working the other way long enough.—Durham Herald.

For unmitigated gall and sublimated "assumacy" we commend to consideration the assumption, on behalf of the Virginia cities, that they were done out of their rights by not being represented in the negotiations between North Carolina and the carriers.—Greensboro News.

There is one thing about it, those who attend the Evelyn Thaw show will perhaps not be disappointed if they see her. If those Greensboro censors would go a little deeper into it they would find that some of the shows are not worth the price anyway.—Durham Herald.

The Atlantic Coast Line did not have to go outside its official family for a successor to the late President Emerson, the choice having fallen upon Mr. J. R. Kenly, who is promoted from the third vice presidency. That means that there will be no break in the policy of the Coast Line, as was done in that of the Southern Railway. The management of the Coast Line is so peculiarly well constituted that a good choice could have been made in almost any of its chief officials.—Charlotte Observer.

It has come out from the investigation of the petition of the Eastern railroads to be allowed to increase freight ra me of these roads are being forced to pay New York banks interest at the rate of 7 1-2 per cent. Which goes to strengthen the conviction that the more you learn about those New York banking institutions the more you learn of their avarice. The new currency law should have a clause in it calculated to stop the depredations of the New York banks.—Raleigh News and Observer.

The Ansonian has always contended that it doesn's pay farmers or many other people to depend upon Western farmers to raise their corn and meat for them, not even if it could be shipped here without any freight chargess. Many farmers and corn boys, too, have shown that corn can be grown here for a cost of 50 cents a bushel or even less. Now here is an instance of a town man raising his own meat, after buying all the feed at much less than he could buy it in the market. Mr. W. G. Covington bought two pigs last year, an Essex add a Red Jersey, both good blooded stock. He killed them a few days ago and, after being dressed, the two weighed 736 pounds. The two pigs cost him $9 and he fed them exactly $51.70 worth of mill feed and corn meal mixed. His meat is worth at least $75, or ten cents a pound. While it has cost him less than seven cents per pound. Now suppose he had fed them corn which he had raised at a cost of less than 50 cents a bushel, his meat then would have cost him less than five cents a pound. Depending on our Western friends makes our living come high—too high for anything else than 20-cent cotton.—Wadesboro Ansonian.

The first essential in the avoidance of tuberculosis of the lungs, or consumption, is to keep the lungs strong, so that if the germs are breathed they can do no harm. One of the most important things in keeping the lungs strong is to keep the chest wide open so that the lungs can be properly used. If the body is drooped or stoops, or if the shoulders are allowed to drag forward (round shoulder), or if the head is carried forward instead of well back over the shoulders, the chest must be flattened, the breathing must be shallow, and the lungs, not being freely used, become weak. It is in this type of chest that tuberculosis usually begins. The consumptive is usually narrow-chested, with drooped shoulders and with the head craned forward. While the development of a strong, well formed chest is one of the most important factors in preventing tuberculosis, the same thing is to be desired if the disease has once started. Not only should we live in the open, but we should stand up straight and learn to "throw a big chest," so that the lungs can grow strong and the fresh air be taken in. The runner, the singer, or any one who is obliged to make sustained effort is taught to stand and sit with the chest high so that the lungs can be used to the best advantage, and if every one would do the same thing there would be less tuberculosis because there would be fewer weak lungs.

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MOTORS HAUL ARTILLERY.

French Army Tests Have Proved Successful.

(From the Philadelphia Ledger.)

The French gunners' method of handling in action heavy artillery drawn by motor traction, was the chief point of interest for foreign observers of the recent grand maneuvers of the French army. The wheels of the motor are broad, with their outside tires composed of jointed steel, and it has been found that the guns can be taken by this means across freshly plowed fields and over ditches and minor obstructions. When the heavy ordnance came into action the motor tires were detached and spread out behind the cannon, forming rails upon which the pieces recoiled after firing without sinking into the soil.

More than 100,000 men and a large fleet of aeroplanes operating in two armies opposed each other over a wide range of country, stretching from Montauban to Agen on the north and from Auch to Toulouse on the south. The Northern, or Blue, army was commanded by Gen. Paul Pau, and the Southern, or Red Army, by Gen. Nicholas Chomer. Col. Samuel W. Miller, U. S. A., witnessed the maneuvers. He was full of admiration for the endurance and marching powers of the French soldiers. Only 67 men fell out of the ranks to be cared for by the ambulances out of 60,000 composing the Southern army, during the three days of hard field work.

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LENOIR JAIL EMPTY.

Lone Prisoner Is Released on Bond—Court Clears the Jail.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Kinston, N. C., Dec. 19.—When his bondsman signed for the solitary negro who was the jailer's only charge, today, the Lenoir county prison was for the first time in its history without a single inmate. Criminal court last week greatly decreased the prison population, which, although seldom large, cannot be remembered by anyone to have been before as utterly depleted as now.

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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, COUNTY of New Hanover.—In the Superior Court, October Term, A. D. 1913.

M. W. Divine, M. J. Corbett and C. C. Chadbourn, vs. Carter's Creek Fish Guano Company.—Advertisement.

Whereas, at the October Term, A. D. 1913, of the Superior Court of New Hanover County, in a cause pending wherein M. W. Divine, M. J. Corbett and C. C. Chadbourn were plaintiffs and Carter's Creek Fish Guano Company defendants, a judgment or decree was entered in said cause, appointing the undersigned Commissioner, and in and by said decree the undersigned, as Commissioner, was authorized and directed, after advertising the same for thirty days, to sell at public auction the following described property, to-wit: Six Hundred (600) Shares of the Capital Stock of the Ocean Fisheries Company and the indebtedness due by the Ocean Fisheries Company, amounting to the sum of Twenty-Six Thousand, One Hundred and Four and 93-100 ($26,104.93) Dollars to the Carter's Creek Fish Guano Company, together with the rights of the Carter's Creek Fish Guano Company against the Ocean Fisheries Company, on said indebtedness;

Now, Therefore, in pursuance to the said decree, the undersigned Commissioner will, on Tuesday, the 30th day of December, A. D. 1913, at 12 o'clock M., on said day, at the Court House door, expose for sale by public auction, for cash, to the highest bidder, the above-described property.

E. K. BRYAN,
Commissioner.

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NOTICE.

$25.00 reward will be paid for evidence to convict any person or corporation who sets fire that burns any of my lands in this or any othe 120 N. Water Street, Wil N. C. in this State. D. L.

A GREATER BEACH

Southern Extension of Wrightsville to be Opened

Messrs. King & Seigler Make Purchase from Ocean View Co.—High-Class Sub-division is Planned.

Beach and suburban development at Wilmington received a decided impetus yesterday with the announcement from the office of Messrs. King & Seigler, progressive real estate brokers of this city, that they had purchased through Mr. Marx S. Nathan, from the Ocean View Company, that desirable property, comprising almost a mile of beach frontage on a southern extension of Wrightsville, extending from the Snyder cottage to Masonboro Inlet, and that this property would at once be taken over for a high-class development.

Coincident with this announcement from the real estate firm was the further announcement from the office of Mr. Hugh MacRae, president of the Tidewater Power Co., that tracks of the suburban line would be at once extended along the full frontage of the property and that electric lighting would be installed in time for the beginning of another season. This, with every other convenience known to beach residents, makes this new extension already one of the most desirable along the entire seacoast of Wilmington. It adds practically one-third to the habitable area of the South Atlantic's most favorite ocean resort and as Wrightsville is already recognized as perhaps the one largest asset of Wilmington, citizens generally will be glad to know that this fine asset is to be amplified in the development of the southern extension.

While not financially interested in the new development, Mr. MacRae stated yesterday that the Tidewater Power Co. would extend every co-operation to the promoters of the enterprise in making the southern extension a really high-class development in which he expressed every faith. This expression of confidence is doubly assured in the fact that the Tidewater Power Co., on its own account, has already purchased a large holding on the southern end of the proposition, presumably to take care of its terminals which must ultimately be established there. Wrightsville Beach having successfully developed within a year or two as far as it could develop to the northward, the southern development was only a question of time and with the conclusion of the deal with the Ocean View Company yesterday, it is now already here. While none of the parties to the deal yesterday would give any intimation of the amount of money involved, it is safe to say that it required upwards of $50,000. No part of the beach can compare with the southern extension in natural beauty and for bathing the water front is well nigh straight as a line and the contour could not be improved upon. There will be 150 high-class lots that will be placed on the market, not as a speculative proposition, but as one purely on the basis of development, appealing strictly to builders, rather than to investors. In the general scheme of improvement, it has been decided to reserve a site for a large, modern hotel, the plans for which, it is expected, will take shape in the near future.

A few of the leading business and professional men have already secured sights for cottages and residences in the new sub-division, several of whom have given assurance that they will build before the opening of the 1914 season.

The gentlemen behind this enterprise say there will be no rush or forced sale of this property as they have every confidence in the ultimate intrinsic value of the proposition and desire to make the extension appeal more strongly to the conservative and constructive type of investors.

The future of the beach, everyone feels, is assured and the gentlemen who have just made the purchase from the Ocean View Co., with the co-operation already enlisted, feel that they have a proposition with which they can go forward with enthusiasm. Those who know of plans on foot for the beach within the next year or two, say that gas connections are not far distant and with all other modern improvements beach residence will ere long appeal to all classes and conditions of people.

Messrs. King & Seigler announce that they will go right ahead with the development, laying off lots, fronts, etc., and, of course, the board walk will be extended and other improvements made. Maps and blue prints of the sub-division will be at once gotten out and then the progressive firm behind this development can say confidently to the public: "Watch Southern Extension Grow."

HOLIDAY RUSH GREAT.

Coast Line Train from North in Two Sections Last Night.

Although not beginning so early as usual, the annual holiday rush on the railroads has begun and from now until after the gladsome yuletide all trains will be running on late schedules. Train No. 49, from the north, on the Coast Line, had to be run in two sections last night, the first arriving with passengers on schedule time and the second section composed exclusively of express and mail cars arriving about two hours later, or 8:15 P. M. This year, with the parcel post, the mail is extraordinarily heavy and even with this the express shipments seem to have suffered no diminution. Last night two solid cars of express were attached to the regular train. While the amount of "Christmas cheer" in the shape of liquids from Norfolk, Portsmouth and Petersburg was quite large, perhaps the heaviest shipments were of turkeys, fresh meats and gift packages from the large mail order houses north, all of which contributes to the annual rush for Christmas. With Christmas less than a week off, the usual congestion of traffic on the railroad lines, both passenger, freight, express, mail, etc., will be great and all trains will be operated "behind time."

FUNERAL OF MRS. VINES.

Wil be Held This Morning at 10 O'clock from Residence.

The funeral of Mrs. Thomas L. Vines will be held this morning at 10 o'clock from the residence, No. 520 South Fifth street, and will be conducted by Rev. Dr. A. D. McClure, pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, assisted by Rev. G. T. Adams, pastor of Fifth Street Methodist church. The interment will be in Oakdale cemetery. Mrs. Vines' death came as a great shock to her many friends in the city and many called at the home of the stricken family yesterday and last night to offer their sympathy and condolence.

MORE DWELLINGS NEEDED

Wilmington Should Have More Modern Commodious Residences, Says Commissioner Barry.

One of the greatest needs of Wilmington at the present time is more residences fitted up with modern conveniences and of a size suitable for the average family, said Commissioner Frank Barry, of the Commercial Club, yesterday in speaking of the prospects for securing more manufacturing enterprises for this city.

Commissioner Barry stated that he had recently received a communication from a New York manufacturing firm which was seeking to find out some of the advantages of Wilmington as a desirable place for manufacturing enterprises. Naturally before considering seriously the idea of moving their plant here the concern wanted full information regarding the city.

When it was found that probably the majority of the labor needed to operate the plant would have to be brought here from other places the next inquiry was as to the residences that would be available. So far as his investigation has gone, Mr. Barry stated that he had found a scarcity of dwellings of the smaller type with modern conveniences. Practically all available houses are already occupied so that if an outsider wishes to come here the first trouble he has is to find a suitable place to live.

Mr. Bary is of the opinion that if more residences should be erected of the kind that would appeal to a man of moderate income who nevertheless desires a home of moderate size and furnished with conveniences, that this would prove a great factor in attracting people to the city. This need is being met to some extent by the erection of homes that are atractive but far too many of the residences now being built are of a type that do not appeal to laboring men of the better class.

The need for more homes is readily apparent to anyone who will take the time to study the question carefully. This does not mean simply a house where a family may be housed but a home where there are comforts and conveniences. They may be small but this does not mean that they not have the comforts that help to make life pleasant and enjoyable.

This need is being met to some extent and there is a tendency at the time towards better conditions in the building line, said a citizen yesterday who has lived here many years. Wilmington has made great strides, he continued, and to one who came here 25 years ago it does not seem like the same city at all. Progress and development are evident on every hand and particularly so in the improved homes that are now being built. What is needed, he concluded, is more homes and better homes for the people who must live here and who do not have the means to live in expensive homes and yet feel that they must at least have some of the surroundings that are conducive to better living.

ALLEN PEARSALL HAD HEARING YESTERDAY.

Case Sent to Superior Court—Charged With Housebreaking.

Allen Pearsall, a notorious negro, had a hearing before Justice Harriss yesterday afternoon on a charge of housebreaking. Probable cause was found and the case sent to Superior court for trial. In default of bond in the sum of $500 he went to jail. Pearsall was arrested in Newbern Tuesday by the chief of police and brought to Wilmington Wednesday by Constable Davis. He is alleged to have broken into the home of Mr. Meares Harriss at Carolina Heights on Thanksgiving day.

There was taken from the house a turkey, two razors, a grey sweater and a cap. Two negroes testified that they helped him eat a turkey at his home, but they thought nothing of this as it was Thanksgiving when turkey is supposed to be served. The other things missing from the home were found at the home of a negro named Brown, who said that they were carried there by Pearsall. Two negroes testified that he was seen to leave the premises of Mr. Harriss' home on Thanksgiving day.

Pearsall has a reputation as a sprinter and although closely chased for several days he was able to make his escape. When it was learned that he had gone in the direction of Newbern the warrant was sent there by Justice Harriss. The chief of police at that place knowing his ability to run and that fast, worked a clever ruse on him. When he saw Pearsall cutting wood in a yard he arrested another negro who happened to be passing along charging him with vagrancy. The negro protested his innocence and made quite a racket. Several of his race, including Pearsall, rushed up to see what was the matter. When the chief was able to catch Pearsall squarely he turned the other one loose and informed Pearsall that he was the one wanted.

THE RECORDER'S COURT.

Short Session Yesterday and No Cases Were Tried.

On account of the absence of several witnesses the trial of Sallie Pigford, the colored woman, arrested in Brooklyn Thursday night, was not held yesterday before the Recorder. There were a lot of jugs, bottles and 10 half pints of whiskey found in her home and she is charged with violating the prohibition law. She went to jail in default of bond. A nol pros with leave was taken in cases against Messrs. O. B. Barnes and Austin McCormick, both white, charged with violating the tax ordinance. They are typewriter salesmen and a question of law is involved as to whether they are liable for a license tax. The city attorney was to have passed upon the question but so far has failed to do so. A nol pros was also taken in a case against Mr. A. H. Yopp, charged with violating the sanitary ordinance.

Should Exercise More Care.

A citizen dropped in last night to state that he thought there should be better regulation of traffic on Front street, especially at Front and Princess. He said that it had been his observation that automobiles traveling this street ran at too great a speed and that if they were not made to go slower there was likely to be accidents. He thinks that for the next few days when traffic is especially heavy that automobilists when passing through a crowded street should run at a very moderate speed. He stated further that a strict observance of the regulations as to the passing of vehicles should be insisted upon at all hours of the day. His motive in calling attention to the matter is to avoid any accident which at best is hard to do when the streets are crowded with Christmas shoppers.

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Y. M. C. A. LOSES TO BRIGADE

Exciting Basketball Game at Armory Last Night—Company B Also Defeated Juniors.

Team No. 1, of the Y. M. C. A. Basketball League, went down in defeat last night before the Giants of the Boys' Brigade, the score being 38 to 13. The contest was one of strength and agility, rather than a test of scientific basketball work, and in this particular the large crowd of enthusiastic spectators was agreed that it eclipsed anything that had ever before been staged in the Brigade gym.

However, throughout the best of feeling was displayed by every man, each seeming to prefer this style of game and all receiving pleasure from it. In this particular both teams were about equal. However, very little real basketball was played. The game was not stopped more than a few times, the rules, by tacit agreement having been suspended, or so it seemed to the spectators.

The game opened with the ball going to the Giants on the toss and in a few minutes it was caged by Davis for two points. This was duplicated soon after which set the spectators in a howling mood which seemed the only manner in which they could express their delight. Holding was common and Davis seemed to take especial pleasure in this for the more he was held the oftener he scored. The game continued in this manner and at the end of the first half the Giants had scored 12 points to four for the Y. M. C. A. men. In this half Davis scored five field goals; Gallagher, one; Lewis, one, and Fick, 2 foul goals. In the second half the Brigade boys scored 16 points while the best the Y. M. C. A. team could o was nine points. Of these Davis secured two field goals and three fouls; Gallapher, two field goals and one foul; McCartney, two field goals; Hanson, one field goal; Lewis, two field goals, and Fick, one foul goal; Solomon, one field goal.

The game between the Company B and Company B Juniors, was one of the most scientific games played at the Brigade this Winter. The passing of both teams was of the highest order of class and the goal shooting was of the sensational order. Company B took the lead soon after the opening of the game but the Juniors went to work and began scoring and soon overtook their older rivals and when the first half ended the score was 16 to 16. This was a splendid piece of work by these little fellows and shows what material they are for a fast team next year.

The second half began much like the first, Company B taking a long lead before the Juniors got to work but when they did they made things lively for awhile. In this half Company B scored 25 points while the Juniors scored 10. In this game Register, H., secured two field goals and one foul; Register, E., ten field goals; Bornemann, five field goals; Sholar, three field goals; Fergus, two field goals; Ellis, four goals; Register, M., three field goals; Gerdes, three field goals; Montgomery, one field goal. This game was very free from fouls there being only three made and only one point scored from this source. The final score was Company B, 41; Company B Juniors, 26.

MR. KENLY'S ELECTION.

New President of Atlantic Coast Line Former Baltimorean.

Yesterday's Baltimore Sun has the following with reference to Mr. John R. Kenly, the newly elected president of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company:

Major John R. Kenly was elected president of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company yesterday at a meeting of the directors in New York, to take the place of the late Thomas M. Emerson.

His headquarters will remain at Wilmington, N. C.

The selection of Major Kenly was not unexpected, as his name has been the most prominent one mentioned in connection with the vacancy. His choice has a peculiar significance to Baltimore, as he is a native of this city and comes from a family long noted as capable engineers. He is a son of the late Gen. John R. Kenly, who was a brother of the late Major William L. Kenly, once chief engineer of the Baltimore Water Department. The closest relative of John R. Kenly in this city is probably George Tyson Kenly, his first cousin, who is a civil engineer and is now employed by the Sewerage Commission.

Gen. John R. Kenly lived for many years on the south side of Baltimore street, near Pine. He had given his country distinguished service in the Mexican War and later with the Federal army in the Civil War. Though he remained a poor man to the day of his death, he steadily refused two pensions, one for each of his services, holding that pensions should neither be paid to nor accepted by a man who did his duty in the defense of his country.

The new president of the Coast Line system was born in this city in 1847 and is now in the 66th year. His first railroad service was in 1868, when he became engineer for construction of the Pittsburgh and Connellsville road, and he has since been active in a railroad career.

In 1871 he came to Baltimore and was put in charge of the construction of the Union Tunnel, built at that time by the Union Railroad and since absorbed by the Pennsylvania, which also took over this tunnel and now uses it as its outlet to the east from this city.

In 1874 Mr. Kenly became engineer and superintendent of the Union Railroad, holding the position until January 1st, 1885, when he was made superintendent of the Richmond and Petersburg road, and in 1889 became superintendent of transportation of the Atlantic Coast Line. He has been continuously with the road ever since.

He has served it consecutively as assistant general manager, general manager, fourth vice president and general manager, then as fourth vice president only. On November 21st, 1905, he was made third vice president and has just been advanced from this position to become the chief executive.

Another significant local feature of Major Kenly's selection is that the Coast Line is looked upon largely as a Baltimore property. Its control is generally credited to Henry Walters, Michael Jenkins and Waldo Newcomer, all of whom are members of its directory, Mr. Walters being the chairman.

Children of St. James.

The children of the Sunday school of St. James' church wil hold their Christmas service in the church at 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon. There will be the regular children's Christmas service and members of the school are reminded that upon this occasion offerings in kind, toys, etc., will be received for the benefit of the poor of the city to be distributed through the Salvation Army.

CREDIT SYSTEM DISCUSSED

Splendid Address Last Night by Mr. J. H. Tregoe to Local Association—Banquet.

Featured by a splendid address on the growth of the credit system in business by Mr. J. Harry Tregoe, secretary-treasurer of the National Association of Credit men, the dinner given in the dining room of the Orton Hotel by the local branch of the National organization last night was a brilliant success in every way. Mr. L. E. Hall, president of the Wilmington asociation, was toastmaster, and to him is due much of the credit for the enjoyable evening the 30 or more business men of the city who attended the delightful affair had.

The dinner was of the usual Orton style which means that the best of everything obtainable on the market was served with promptness and dispatch. From Thegoe punch to Credit salad vigilantia and ice cream a la Keyes, the bill of fare was strictly first class.

While the social feature was predominant in the meeting,it was intend ed primarily for the purpose of giving ideas and inspiration to those present. The two objects were combined in a pleasing way that was altogether fitting and proper.

Mr. Tregoe's Address.

In a striking simile that was apt and suggestive, Mr. Hall, the toastmaster, introduced Mr. Tregoe as the engineer of a great orgonization who had come to Wilmington for the purpose of gearing up the transmission of power between the local branch and the National association. While the local association had a large membership and had done good work he was glad, he stated, that Mr. Tregoe could be present to give ideas for a better conduct of its affairs. He spoke in warm words of praise for the splendid progress that had been made under Mr. Tregoe's administration and the good fortune of the Wilmington members in having this opportunity to hear him again.

Mr. Tregoe in beginning his address which was brief and to the point said that as he traveled about the country he had been called by many names, but Mr. Hall had denominated him under an entirely new title when he called him an electrical engineer. In no sense, he declared, was he a professional man and he considered it the highest honor that could be bestowed upon him to be known as a plain credit man which he had been ever since he had reached his majority.

Growth of System.

He traced the growth of the credit system from 1890, when he began to check credits, until the present. At that time commercial ethics were not conducive to commercial honor, but he was glad to say that a new spirit now dominated business affairs. Then if a business man ould shift a bad account over to the books of one of his competitors and then make the goods which he sold help pay the debts of the concern the business man felt that he had done a shrewd thing. He was glad to know that this was now no longer the case.

Continuing his discussion he gave a brief outline of the growth of the National Association of Credit men, which was organized in Toledo in 1896 with 600 members and today has 17,500 members. It is conceded, he said, to be the strongest commercial association in the country and has played an exceedingly important part in the development of a spirit of honor and uprightness in business affairs that is indeed gratifying.

Credit Defined.

The average business man today, he continued, is so busy that he hasn't time to analyze the common things of life. Ask him what is credit or what is business and he cannot tell you. The speaker defined business as resulting from the satisfaction of human wants and credit as that which keeps business going. He traced the growth of commerce from the days when goods were bartered through the period when money was used primarily until the present time when credit is the main element.

Today 95 per cent of business is based on exchange of credits and only 5 per cent on cash, he said.

The object of the association of credit men is to protect the commercial credit of its members. He urged his hearers to get the world vision, to get the idea out of their minds that their business was confined only to their own community, to work early and zealously for a greater spirit of honesty not only in this city but in the Nation as well.

The man, he continued, who never watches the signs of the times, who is not prepared to furl his sails when the storms and gales blow is destined to go down in defeat with the time worn excuse, "I never thought." "We are living in a period of readjustment in the Nation and the man who would achieve success must be up and doing. Instead of being wide-awake, many of you are simply pottering to your office and back. Instead of doing this will you not endeavor to become acquainted with the fundamentals of business, to keep apace with the times, to learn something of the theory of economics so that when the storms and gales come you will be prepared for them," he urged in eloquent words.

"What is needed is poise and intelligence," he continued, "and although I have been studying this question of credits for years I am only beginning to realize this important fact. Last year there was only $3,700,000,000 in cash, while $173,000,000,000 of business was done. The check was the medium through which this vast business was done, and this organization stands for the protection of that credit dollar. In order to do this successfully there must be co-operation and a code of commercial ethics must be created that will not stand for dishonesty in any way."

The Retailer.

He next discussed the retailer whom he declared the wholesale merchant and the jobber was in duty bound to aid in making his business a success. When it is realized that only one out of every ten retail merchants eventually makes a success of his business something of the importance of this work can be realized. There must be economy of distribution in this work, he continued, and goods cannot be placed safely with the unqualified and unfitted merchant for it works a hardship not only upon him but upon those who are competing with him.

From this subject of business honesty and business education he next turned to the subject of the enormous waste in this country from bad debts which annually amounts to $250,000,000 and the fire waste which is practically the same. When it is remembered that the estimate of the present crop for this year is $270,000,000, he said, some idea can be gained of what this great loss means. It is a tax upon our resources that is indeed appalling and must be remedied. He appealed to his hearers to join in this work.

After all, he said in conclusion, what is needed most in this country is men of character, men who, when acting in a position of trust and responsibility, will exercise the same care for the protection of the property of others as they do for their own. It is not oonly a question of business standards but what is far more important a development of personal character. It is from character that action results. To make the business of this country the finest, the best, the most progressive and the most successful there must be developed that type of man that is honest, upright, true and noble, and then the other wil take care of itself.

Mayor Moore Speaks.

Following Mr. Tregoe's inspiring and instructive talk Mayor Moore, who was a guest of honor, was introduced by Mr. Hall. He spoke briefly praising the talk of Mr. Tregoe which he said was a masterpiece and should be the means of inspiring every man present to higher and nobler purposes. After all, he continued, the power and action must come from those who hear and no amount of speech-making can help unless it finally results in arousing those who hear to action. He congratulated the business men of the city for the great improvement that had come about in this section in business credits within the last few years. He urged that those present take more interest in the affairs of the city and to see that its credit and standing remain unimpaired. He was glad to have had the opportunity of hearing the distinguished speaker and thanked the toastmaster for the opportunity given him of saying a few words.

Following Mr. Moore's speech Toastmaster Hal opened the meeting to a general discussion. There were a number of short talks by the various members present and a free interchange of ideas that was most beneficial and instructive.

Menu.

Beautifully engraved menu cards were distributed to the guests present as souvenirs of the occasion. Following is the bill of fare:

Tregoe Punch with Credit
Oyster Cocktail
Queen Olives Celery
Essence of Chicken en Tasse
Broiled Stripped Bass Lemon Butter
Pommes McLaughlin Salted Almonds
Roast Turkey, Nut Dressing
Cranberry Sauce
French Peas
Salad Vigilantia
Ice Cream a la Keyes
Gateaux Assortes
Fromage Saltines
Cafe Noir

Meeting Yesterday Afternoon.

Yesterday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock in the parlor of the Orton Hotel Mr. Tregoe met the officers, board of directors and the chairmen of the different committees of the local association for an informal discussion of matters especially pertaining to the affairs of the local branch. The conference which lasted for several hours, was the means of bringing to those who attended a number of new ideas for conducting the business of the local branch in a way which it is believed will be more satisfactory. Mr. Tregoe has had over 20 years' experience in credit work and is recognized as an expert in his line.

WILL DEDICATE WINDOW.

Special Services at St. Paul's Lutheran Church Tomorrow Morning.

In connection with the regular service tomorrow morning at St. Paul's Lutheran church on Market street, a beautiful window will be dedicated. It is a reproduction of Hoffmann's famous picture, "Christ Blessing the Children." The firm of Weeder Co., of Philadelphia, who executed the work, has taken unusual pains in the production of this window and the result is most gratifying. This new art window is a memorial to the late Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rehder, charter members of St. Paul's, and actively identified with the work and interests of the congregation. In a special panel the votive inscription appears:

In Memoriam
Father and Mother
Henry and Johanna Rehder.
1834—1913 1844—1913

Rev. F. B. Clausen, the pastor, will base his sermon on the subject and object of this memorial.

INTERESTING CEREMONIAL FOR CHRISTMAS EVE.

Community Christmas Tree on Postoffice Lawn—Will be First Ever Held in Wilmington.

For the first time in Wilmington a community Christmas tree and public ceremonial will be held Christmas eve on the lawn in the rear of the postoffice, and arrangements are now being made to render the occasion an enjoyable one, and one thoroughly expressive of the Christmas spirit.

The idea is not new in the North, but has never been utilized here before. A lady of the city started the movement here, and Mayor P. Q. Moore, Mr. John J. Blair, superintendent of city schools, and other officials with whom she took the matter up, gave their hearty support.

The tree will be put in place on the lawn Monday and the Tidewater Power Company will decorate it with incondescent lights. The Fidelity Trust & Development Co., will furnish a stereopticon which will be used to illuminate the hymns and carols which will be sung by the children of the public schools. Mr. James Wilson will lead the singing on a cornet.

The children of the schools are already practicing a number of hymns and carols, including "The Little Town of Bethlehem," "Holy Night," "Hark the Herald Angels Sing," and others. The ceremony will be open to the entire public and will doubtless be attended by a large number of Christmas eve celebrators. The hour will be 8 or 9 o'clock.

COUNTY SCHOOLS CLOSE.

Children at Liberty for Holiday Recess.

The public schools of the county closed yesterday for the holiday recess, and the children will enjoy a vacation until Tuesday, December 30th, when the schools will re-open. Most of the teachers will leave today for their homes to spend Christmas. In most of the schools some form of Christmas exercise was held.

The fact that yesterday was North Carolina Day was noted in the different schools in the county, but on account of the day being the last day of school before the holidays, no especial exercises commemorativ of the fact were held. Arrangements will probably be made to hold North Carolina Day exercises after the schools re-open for the spring term.

The city schools will close for the holidays next Tuesday.

Steamer "Wilmington" will make her usual Sunday trip to Southport and Fort Caswell Sunday. Leaves at 9:30 A. M. Fare, round trip, 50c.—Advertisement.

Christmas slippers, all kinds, at Peterson & Rulfs. (advertisement.) de 19-21-23.

New Gold
New Silver
New Currency

For the accommodation of the general public, we have on hand a large amount of New Gold, New Silver and New Currency in all denominations, from Pennies to Twenty Dollar Gold Pieces.

We will be pleased to have you make use of our bank and the facilities offered for your conveniences.

The PEOPLE'S SAVINGS BANK
On the Corner of Front and Princess Streets

$20.00 $10.00

XMAS MONEY
NEW GOLD—NEW SILVER—NEW CURRENCY.

Following our usual custom, we have secured an ample supply of New Gold Coins, from which we will be glad to supply the needs of our friends and customers.

At all times, crisp, new currency is paid to our large number of lady customers. During the Holidays this feature will be observed at all windows, to all patrons.

A limited supply of the new 1913 coinage of silver on hand.

A pleasure, always, to serve you.

THE WILMINGTON SAVINGS & TRUST CO.
Oldest Bank in Wilmington.
Largest Savings Bank in North Carolina.

$5.00 $2.50

Good Housekeepers
Will Save Time, Worry and Money By Reading This "Ad"

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We List a Lot of Highly Pure, Delicately Flavored Cakes That Even Mother Would Have a Hard Job to Excel:

Sally White
Cherry Pound
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Homemade Pound
Layer Cakes

And All Other Delicacies usually found in the Very Best Bakeries. 'Phone Us Early or Late—we give Satisfaction All the Time

Royal Baking Company
22 North Front. 'Phone No. 246.

SOCIAL & PERSONAL

Miss Louise Worth has returned from Peace Institute at Raleigh, to spend the hondays at home.

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Receipts from the sale of Red Cross Christmas Seals in the postoffice lobby yesterday amounted to $7.82. The young ladies in charge were Misses Bessie Gore and Edith Pritchard. Miss Annie Kidder and Mrs. Addison Blcaud were the chaperones.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Huntington, who have been visiting Mr. Huntington's father at Charlotte, returned home Thursday night. Mr. Huntington's many friends will be glad to know that his two weeks' rest has been most beneficial and he returns greatly improved in health.

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Miss Edelweiss King, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. Frank King, No. 511 South Front street, arrived last evening from the Greensboro College for Women and will spend the holidays here. She was accompanied by her friends, Miss Jeannette Peirce and Miss Mary Dosher, of Southport, who were her guests for the night, leaving for their homes this morning.

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Mr. and Mrs G. A. P. Bowman are spending some time at Aspinwall, Pa., where they were called last week to the bedside of Mr. Bowman's father, Mr. G. V. Bowman, who was stricken with pneumonia. They arrived too late, his death occurring before their arrival. Mr. Bowman is remembered by many persons in Wilmington, he having visited his son here last Winter.

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Invitations reading as follows have been received here, where the bride-elect, a sister of Mrs. F. A. Fetter, formerly of this city, is pleasantly remembered by a large number of friends:

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Mac Johnston
request the honor of your presence
at the marriage of their sister
Miss Mary Rebe Johnston
to
Mr. Vernon Faucette Harrison
on Wednesday evening, the thirty-first
of December, at nine o'clock
Methodist Episcopal Church, South
Littleton, North Carolina.

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DEBUT DANCE IN HONOR OF WILMINGTON LADY.

The following is from the social columns of yesterday's Richmond Times-Dispatch and will be read with local interest by many friends:

"Quantities of lovely pink flowers and evergreens decorated the old Colonial home of Miss Loulie Millhiser, in Ginter Park, last evening for the debut dance of Miss Hazel Einstein, of Wilmington, N. C. The whole lower floor was thrown open for dancing, and garlands of running cedar and southern smilax, interspersed with pink blooms, were used everywhere. The lights were shaded in rose color, and a screen of palms and bay trees hid the orchestra. There was no formal receiving line and Miss Millhiser introduced the debutante to the 80 guests present, assisted by Mrs. Ed Einstein, of Wilmington, N. C. The hostess wore a French gown of salmon pink crepe de chine, made with a minaret tunic of cream-colored net and lace, and her flowers were pink orchids. Miss Einstein was gowned in white chiffon draped over white charmeuse and finished with tiny pink rosebuds, and she carried an old-fashioned nosegay of pink roses, edged with a lace frill and tied with streamers of pink tulle. Mrs. Einstein, sister of Miss Millhiser, wore a handsome gown of black charmeuse, made with an overdress of green chiffon and trimmings and sable fur. Her flowers were lilies of the valley and orchids. A buffet supper was served at 11 o'clock, and Miss Constance Redd presided at the punch bowl.

"The dance is one of a number of handsome functions planned for Miss Einstein during her stay in Richmond."

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WEDDING OF INTEREST IN RICHMOND THURSDAY.

Yesterday's Richmond Times-Dispatch has the following of interest to friends in North Carolina:

"A pretty home wedding of yesterday was that of Miss Carrie Irvin Willingham, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Robert J. Willingham, and Thomas Justin Moore, son of the Rev. and Mrs. J. T. Moore, of Mount Lebannon. The ceremony took place very quietly at 11 o'clock at the home of the bride's parents, 1605 West Grace street, and, owing to recent illness in the family, was witnessed by only relatives and few friends. The bride's father, assisted by Dr. T. Clagett Skinner, pastor of the Second Baptist church, officiated. The bay window in the drawing room was banked in palms, lighted tapers and pink roses, and pink roses and smilax were used on the mantels. Miss Belle Johnson played the Wedding March.

The bride descended the stairs on the arm of her brother, Benjamin J. Willingham, of Wilmington, N. C., and wore a modish traveling gown of blue cloth, with a black velvet hat trimmed in shaded plumes, and a corsage bouquet of orchids and lilies of the valley. Miss Elizabeth Walton Willingham, who attended her sister as maid of honor, wore a costume of Burgundy velvet, and a black hat trimmed in fur and gold lace, and her bouquet was a shower of pink roses and lilies of the valley. Jesse Hartwell Moore, brother of the bridegroom, was best man.

"Mr. and Mrs. Moore have gone north on their wedding trip, and after February 1st will be at home at 1721 Hanover avenue, Richmond. A number of guests from a distance were present at the ceremony yesterday morning."

CAPT. L. D. BLONDELL HERE.

Swimming Champion, Stops Over for Few Days on Way South.

Capt. L. D. Blondell, champion long distance ocean swimmer and lecturer on swimming and life saving, who appeared in several exhibitions at Lumina last summer, arrived in the city last night on a stop-over for business purposes for a few days. He is on his way to Charleston and points in Florida, where he will spend the winter.

Shortly after leaving Wilmington last July Capt. Blondell was injured in a wreck on the Pennsylvania railroad, at Tryone, Pa., July 30th, in which the fireman and engineer lost their lives and 162 passengers were injured. The captain had a miraculous escape from death, and as it was, he was in a hospital for six weeks. However, he has fully recovered, and appears as hale and hearty as ever.

He has purchased a stereopticon exposure of the White Slave traffic, and is lecturing on this. He is now on his way South to fill a number of engagements after the holidays. He stopped over here, and if he can make suitable arrangements he may put his exhibition on here.

Christmas slippers, all kinds, at Peterson & Rulfs (advertisement.) de 19-21-23.

BANQUET AT THE Y. M. C. A

Brilliant Affair Last Night Was Attended by About 125 Young Men and Ladies.

A brilliant event in Y. M. C. A. circles was the first annual boys' banquet, held in the gymnasium at the new building on Market street, last evening and attended by about 65 couples, as the young men were privileged to bring a girl friend. The occasion was an inspiring one, and augurs well for the boys' department of the association.

The gymnasium presented a splendid spectacle, a committee of ladies consisting of Mesdames Roberts, Setters, Hodges, Moore, Howell, Murphy, Munson and a number of very charming young ladies having tastefully and beautifully decorated the tables. The excellent meal served will not be forgotten for a long time by those present.

Among the guests representing the commercial, educational and other interests of the city were the following: Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Penton, Mr. John R. Hanby, Mr. Thomas P. Nash, Superintendent John J. Blair, Rev. Dr. A. D. McClure, pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church; Rev. G. T. Adams, pastor of Fifth Street Methodist church, Rev. W. M. Baker, Rev. W. M. Craig, assistant pastor of the First Baptist church; Rev. A. W. Koelling, assistant pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, and Messrs. D. H. Howes, J. B. Huntington and T. M. Pridgen.

Much enthusiasm was prevalent and one could not help being inspired at the manner in which the toasts were proposed and responded to by those present. Mr. Penton acted as toastmaster. The boys are to be congratulated upon their fine speeches both in proposing the toasts and in their responses. Special mention is made of Mark Noble, Clewell Howell, Len Cooper, Gray Hicks and John Allen Thames. Special mention also must be made of the way in which the Y. M. C. A. orchestra acquitted themselves, rendering seven selections throughout the evening's programme, which were very much enjoyed by all those present. This was the first annual banquet in the history of the Wilmington Y. M. C. A., but assuredly it will not be the last.

The menu was as follows:

Sardines Olives Cream of Fowl
Roast Turkey
Boiled Ham Boiled Potatoes
Roast Potatoes
Turnips
Plum Pudding Ice Cream
Lady Fingers Bon Bons
Coffee

LOCAL DOTS.

—Sheriff Cowan wishes it understood that permits to sell fireworks are issued only for a full year, from June 1st to June 1st of the following year. The tax is $20, $10 for State and $10 for the county.

—A marriage license was issued yesterday by the register of deeds for the marriage of Mr. Chas. Lesesne, of East Arcadia, to Miss Elizabeth L. Butler, of Acme. It is understood that the young people will be married in this city tomorrow.

—Deputy Sheriff Reynolds left yesterday for Concord with Ralph Sawyer and Skeldon Merritt to enter them in the Stonewall Jackson Training School. They were sentenced by the Recorder Thursday to serve a term of two years each in the institution on a charge of larceny.

The following deeds were filed for registration yesterday in the office of the register of deeds: Elizabeth P. LeGwin to LeRoy C. LeGwin, for $1,000, lot on South Fifth street, 66 feet north of Church, 33x165 feet in size, and W. H. Hardy to Carrie Gardner for $1 and other considerations, lot at the corner of Fifth and Church streets, 66x110 feet in size.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. Nixon Ottaway, of Town Creek, was in the city on business yesterday.

—Noah W. Cooper, Esq., a prominent member of the Nashville, Tenn., bar, passed through the city this week on his way to Mullins, S. C., where he will spend the holidays at his old home. He came through Wilmington on his return from Washington, D. C., and while here was a guest of his brothers, Messrs. W. B. and Thos. E. Cooper.

STEAMER WILL ARRIVE LAST OF NEXT WEEK.

Southern Steamship Company Will Soon be Ready for Business.

Information received from a private source is to the effect that the first of the steamers which will be operated by the Southern Steamship Company will arrive in Wilmington the last of next week. The vessel which has been in Bath, Maine, for the last several months for the purpose of being put in sea-going shape, left that port Tuesday under the direct command of Capt. M. L. Gilbert, president of the company. She was due to arrive in New York yesterday where she will remain five days. She will then sail for Wilmington.

Captain Gilbert in a private letter states that a strike in the machine shops where the ship was being repaired caused some delay while the weather also retarded work to some extent. It had been expected to have the steamer here several weeks ago and this would have been done had it not been for these unavoidable delays.

$5,000 PAYMENT MADE.

Annual Installment on Sewerage Plant Purchase.

The annual payment of $5,000 on the bonds issued by the city on taking over the sewerage plant, has been made to the West End Trust Company, of Philadelphia, and cancelled securities to that amount have been received. Capt. Thos. D. Meares, city clerk and treasurer, will make report of the matter at the next regular meeting of Council.

In this connection Capt. Meares yesterday received a letter from a stock broker of New York City, the contents of which are of interest. It stated the North Carolina municipal and county bond issues for such utilities as sewerage and water systems, schools, roads, etc., were very desirable, and the broker was confident that he would have no trouble in disposing of such paper in any amounts in excess of $25,000.

Fireworks—And the largest and finest assortment of Christmas candies ever shown in Wilmington. Warren's, Front and Market.—Advertisement. 9t.

Spend your Sunday down the Cape Fear. Steamer "Wilmington" leaves for Southport and Fort Caswell at 9:30 A. M. Fare, round trip 50c.—Advertisement.

..Theatrical..

Something new, something wonderful, something very instructive in moving pictures was offered last night at the Academy of Music by Lyman H. Howe, the foremost exponent of the motion picture art, the greatest collector of films of foreign countries and industries of the United States in the world. It is always considered a rare treat to behold any of the Howe exhibitions and so last night's audience, though not as large as it should have been (this being attributable to the rush of the week before Christmas) thoroughly enjoyed every moment of the performance. Howe has rightly named his exhibition this year a travelfest. Such it is, because it takes the onlookers into many climes and shows them, in most entertaining way, buildings and works of interest, which naturally profits the beholders in fine manner. The views presented were magnificent and impressed a person by far more than perusal of any book could possibly do. In this way the Howe pictures are decidedly valuable, and this feature should especially appeal to the older folks, while every child should see the pictures, as a means of education. The pictures are large, clear and flickerless, which makes it easy on the eyes.

The Howe pictures will be presented twice today, and each exhibition should be largely attended. A special matinee will be given this afternoon, commencing at 3 o'clock, with doors opening an hour earlier, and the engagement will close tonight.

Seats for tonight can be secured at Plummer's.

Vaudeville Jubilee for Christmas.

The Academy made the very interesting announcement yesterday of its Christmas attraction. It will be a big vaudeville jubilee, as this class of performance is deemed the most popular of all just at present. The Academy also decided to make the prices small, so that every one would get a happy chance of seeing the performance.

This means that a fine Keith vaudeville bill will be presented at 10, 20 and 30 cents, and that would seem to assure jammed houses. There will be two performances Christmas day, matinee and night, and the attraction will also appear Friday and Saturday, with daily matinee. The vaudeville booked for the jubilee is all of star type and the names of the artists will be recognized as among the topnotchers. For instances, there are Les Chemroys, the great European, just over from the other side, and there is also Ethel Green, the well known soubrette. Others are Hunter and Reeves, a noted singing and dancing duo; McNamee, the novelty entertainer, and Leavitt and Lawler, one of the very best of all comedy sketch teams. This list shows the great strength of the vaudeville bill and will attract "standing room only" audiences.

In addition to this big list of vaudeville stars two reels of feature films, the best and latest, will also be offered, thus making the big show even bigger and more attractive.

Swell Saturday Bill at Grand.

'Tis a swell Saturday bill the cozy, handsome Grand has arranged, and the big week-end crowds will find gigantic delight in beholding this, one of the greatest of all shows that have ever graced the "movies." Four of the very latest and best films are on tapis for today and will be presented in the Grand's usual dainty and otherwise faultless manner, while there will be plenty of new and merry music on the side, to add to the enjoyment. Of course, the price will be but 5 cents, afternoon and night.

The leader of today's galaxy of films is the Vitagraph's freshest, "The Right Man." It is a powerful dramatic with such well known Thespians as Lillian Walker, Earle Williams and George Cooper playing the stellar roles.

And there is one of those ever-popular Alkali Ike photoplays. It is an Essanay, of course, and it's the best yet. It is "Alkali Ike's Auto," and it is a daisy.

Also adding to the greatness of the bill is the latest Biograph, "Red and Pete Partners." It is a dramatic out of the ordinary. In the fun line today will be one of the finest, "Their Waterloo," telling of the adventures of a flirtatious young woman with a trio of dashing lovers. It is a joyous ha, ha.

CHUURCH DIRECTORY.

Where Religious Services Will be Conductod Tomorrow.

First Presbyterian church, corner Third and Orange streets, Rev. Dr. J. M. Wells, pastor—Services Sunday at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M., with preaching at both services by the pastor. Sunday school at 3:30 P. M. Christian Endeavor at 7:15 P. M. Prayer meeting on Wednesday night at 8 o'clock. You are cordially invited to all these services.

St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, corner Fourth and Campbel streets, Rev. Dr. A. D. McClure, pastor—Sabbath services: preaching at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. by the pastor. Sabbath school at 3:30 P. M. Christian Endeavor prayer meeting at 7 P. M. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. Seats free. All welcome.

Pearsall Memorial Presbyterian church, East Wilmington, Rev. H. W. Koelling, pastor in charge—Sabbath school at 10:30 A. M. Preaching at 11:15 A. M. Christian Endeavor at 7 P. M. The public is cordially invited to these services.

Harnett Street Mission, Eighth and Harnett streets, Rev. W. M. Baker, evangelist, in charge—Sabbath school at 9:30 A. M.

Rev. Dr. A. D. McClure expects to preach at Castle Haynes tomorrow afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

ORDERS OWN COFFIN.

Mr. J. C. Parker, of Fair Bluff, Makes Unusual Purchase.

Most men view death in an impersonal sort of way, and few are so constituted that they look upon their ultimate demise in a practicable, cool headed manner, at least so long as they are in good health. Mr. J. C. Parker, a prominent citizen of the Fair Bluff section, proved himself one of the exceptions yesterday when he walked into a local undertaking establishment and gave orders for his own coffin.

While getting along in years, Mr Parker is in splendid health, and he has no reason to believe that his death is a matter of the immediate future. However, he recognizes that his call will come some time, and he believes in being prepared even to the last detail. In fact, as soon as his casket is shipped to him, he will have his grave dug, and lined with cement, for as he explained it yesterday, he does not care about being drowned after his death.

Washington, Dec. 19.—Secretary and Mrs. Bryan left tonight to spend Christmas at their winter place in Miami, Fla. They will make stops en route at Asheville, N. C., and Jacksonville, Fla. They expect to return before New Year's Day.

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DEATH OF AGED LADY.

Mrs. Henrietta Craig Passed Away Yesterday at Myrtle Grove Sound.

A large circle of friends will be deeply grieved to learn of the death of Mrs. Henrietta Newton Craig, which occurred yesterday morning at 4 o'clock at the family home on Myrtle Grove Sound in Federal Point township. She was born in this county December 29th, 1827, and was, therefore, in the 86th year of her age. She was the wife of the late Thomas Craig, who died 32 years ago.

She was the last of her generation in her family and is survived by no near relatives with the exception of five children as follows: Messrs. Charles, Walter Scott, Robert and John Craig and Miss Evelina Craig, all of whom live in this county. These will have the sincere sympathy of a host of friends in the county and elsewhere. Mr. Joseph Craig, a son, died several years ago in Charleston, S. C. His widow survives him and is now living in that city.

Notwithstanding Mrs. Craig's great age she was in good health until a few days before her death. Of a cheerful buoyant disposition it was her great pleasure and joy to make others happy. She was given the rare privilege of enjoying her faculties unimpaired to the last and physically was well preserved. She was widely known and had a host of friends who loved and admired her for her many noble and admirable traits of character. She was a devoted member of the Methodist church and counted it a joy to do her full Christian duty.

The funeral will be held this afternoon at 2 o'clock from the old home and will be conducted by Rev. Mr. Bruton, her pastor. The interment will be in the family burying ground on the old Craft place.

TAXES MUST BE PAID.

Sheriff Cowan Busy Writing Receipts —Only a Few Days Left.

Sheriff Cowan and his deputies are busy these days writing tax receipts. Only a few days remain now before the extra costs will be added for collection and there are many who are taking advantage of the opportunity to avoid these extra charges. Sheriff Cowan must soon make his report to the State treasurer and must have the taxes. All who have so far failed to pay the amount owed by them are urged to come across with the "dough" and thus help him to make a splendid showing as well as save themselves from the extra costs later.

Ithaca, N. Y., Dec. 17.—John E. O'Hear, star right end, tonight was chosen captain of the 1914 Cornell football team. O'Hear is from Brookline, Mass. He was out of the game much of this season nursing an eye injury sustained in the contest with Harvard.

Steamer "Wilmington" will make her usual Sunday trip to Southport and Fort Caswell Sunday. Leaves at 9:30 A. M. Fare, round trip, 50c.—Advertisement.



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COTTON 13 POINTS DOWN WEEKLY COTTON REPORT STOCKS SHOW STRENGTH

Back to Low Level of Last Wednesday During Trading Yesterday—Spots Quiet.

New York, Dec. 19.—The cotton market sold back to a low level of last Wednesday during today's trading with January contracts making new low ground for the movement under renewed liquidation and bear pressure. The close was easy and from 6 to 13 points net lower.

Relatively steady Liverpool cables and overnight reports from the South that interior spot holders were still showing little disposition to meet the lower prices for futures, seemed responsible for a comparatively steady opening. First prices were a point lower for December, but generally 1 to 2 points higher, and there was a moderate scattering demand from shorts or reactionists.

This buying was very readily supplied, however, and the market soon weakened under more or less general offerings which seemed to reflect liquidation by old longes or recent buyers and considerable pressure from Wall Street and Southern sources. Predictions that the steadily increasing local stock of certified cotton would be followed by large tenders on January contracts may have inspired part of the pressure against that position, which led the break, selling at 12.24 or a couple of points under Wednesday's low level and about 14 points under the closing figures of yesterday. Other positions sold about 10 to 12 points net lower, where the decline was checked by covering, or renewed buying for a rally, and prices during the early afternoon showed recoveries of six or seven points. Later the market weakened again under another spurt of selling which some believed to come from the Southwest, where the movement is beginning to increase after a period of very small receipts resulting from bad weather and interrupted transportation facilities. Others attributed this particular selling which was for January delivery to local liquidation ,but in any event it sent the market back to about the low point, with January closing at 12.25, or just 75 points under the high level of last Friday. Week-end figures were considered about a stand-off, and the earlier selling movement seemed to be chiefly inspired by the expectation of a bearish census ginning report tomorrow morning or continued talk of unfavorable general trade conditions. Reports from Memphis said the unusually heavy stock of spot cotton there was being easily carried and that there was no pressure of distress cotton against the market.

Spot cotton quiet; middling uplands 12.80; middling gulf 13.05; no sales. Cotton futures closed easy.

Month:	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Dec	12.52	12.53	12.42	12.49
Jan	12.38	12.39	12.24	12.26
Feb				12.30
Mar	12.50	12.60	12.48	12.50
Apr				12.50
May	12.61	12.62	12.48	12.51
June				12.50
July	12.57	12.58	12.47	12.49
Aug	12.35	12.35	12.30	12.27
Sept				11.84
Oct	11.70	11.77	11.70	11.72

PORT MOVEMENT.

Galveston—Steady, 13.00; net receipts, 10,148; gross receipts, 10,148; sales, 100; stock, 229,613; Great Britain, 10,472; France, 8,247; continent, 8,542; coastwise, 3,060.

New Orleans—Quiet, 13.00; net receipts, 9,380; gross receipts, 9,402; sales, 2,859; stock, 277,200; continent, 4,888; coastwise, 926.

Mobile—Steady, 12¾; net receipts, 6,537; gross receipts, 6,537; sales, 175; stock, 50,562; coastwise, 434.

Savannah—Quiet, 12 11-16; net receipts, 7,746; gross receipts, 7,746; sales, 2,974; stock, 146,374; continent, 978; coastwise, 8,320.

Charleston—Quiet, 12 11-16; net receipts, 3,254; gross receipts, 3,254; stock, 77,990; coastwise, 875.

Wilmington—Nominal; net receipts, 1,340; gross receipts, 1,340; stock, 33,733.

Norfolk—Quiet, 12½; net receipts, 4,359; gross receipts, 4,359; sales, 1,164; stock, 61,537; continent, 657; coastwise, 2,815.

Baltimore—Nominal, 12¾; net receipts, 2,631; gross receipts, 2,631; stock, 6,002; continent, 4,550.

New York—Quiet, 12.80; net receipts, 50; gross receipts, 2,950; sales, 2,100; stock, 65,111; coastwise, 1,787; Japan, 100.

Boston—Quiet, 12.80; net receipts, 186; gross receipts, 1,628; stock, 4,647.

Philadelphia—Steady, 13.05; gross receipts, 617; stock, 3,436.

Texas City—Net receipts, 3,285; gross receipts, 3,285; stock, 24,139.

Brunswick—Net receipts, 8,148; gross receipts, 8,148; stock, 20,855.

Arnusas Pass—Net receipts, 847; gross receipts, 847; stock, 2,279; continent, 2,847; coastwise, 176.

Pensacola—Net receipts, 2,450; gross receipts, 2,450; Great Britain, 2,450.

Port Arthur—Net receipts, 7,000; gross receipts, 7,000; continent, 7,000.

Newport News—Net receipts, 5,835; gross receipts, 5,835; coastwise, 5,835.

Jacksonville—Net receipts, 2,245; gross receipts, 2,245; stock, 2,645; coastwise, 1,903.

Total today, at all ports—Net, 77,476; Great Britain, 12,922; France, 8,247; continent, 29,480; Japan, 2,125; stock, 1,006,211.

Consolidated, at all ports—Net, 330,051; Great Britain, 101,133; France, 23,018; continent, 112,962; Japan, 22,211; Mexico, 1,150.

Total since Sept. 1, at all ports—Net, 6,298,120; Great Britain, 1,692,956; France, 719,810; continent, 2,089,968; Japan, 181,228; Mexico, 18,900.

INTERIOR MOVEMENT.

Houston—Steady, 13.00; net receipts, 10,801; gross receipts, 10,801; shipments, 9,467; sales, 1,100; stock, 170,651.

Augusta—Steady, 12⅝; net receipts, 2,246; gross receipts, 2,583; shipments, 1,734; sales, 3,572; stock, 85,270.

Memphis—Quiet, 13¼; net receipts, 5,098; gross receipts, 8,738; shipments, 7,212; sales, 3,050; stock, 25,203.

St. Louis—Dull, 13¼; net receipts, 148; gross receipts, 2,970; shipments, 3,978; sales, 200; stock, 25,238.

Cincinnati—Net receipts, 1,311; gross receipts, 1,311; shipments, 1,863; stock, 18,524.

Little Rock—Quiet, 12⅝; net receipts, 1,645; gross receipts, 1,645; shipments, 1,824; stock, 54,579.

Louisville—Firm, 13¼; net receipts, 103; gross receipts, 103; shipments, 8; sales, 115; stock, 200.

Tacoma—Net receipts, 1,600; gross receipts, 1,600; Japan, 1,600.

Seattle—Net receipts, 425; gross receipts, 425; Japan, 425.

Total today—Net receipts, 21,352; gross receipts, 28,131; shipments, 26,086; sales, 8,097; stock, 379,665.

DRY GOODS MARKETS.

New York, Dec. 19.—Cotton goods markets generally continued quiet today. Some small business was done in cloths at prices below those recently current. Narrow cloths were quiet and easier. Cotton yarns are inclined to be quiet. There has been a revision downward on staple taffeta ribbon prices to bring values to the level that prevailed before advances were forced by raw silk fluctuations.

NAVAL STORES.

New York, Dec. 19.—Turpentine—Quiet. Rosin—Quiet.

Savannah, Dec. 19. — Turpentine, firm, 42½; sales, 277; receipts, 636; shipments, 700; stocks, 147,306. Quote: A, B, C, D, F, G, 3.65; H, 3.70; I, 3.80; K, 4.35; M, 5.35; N, 6.15; W G, 6.50; W W, 6.85.

Market Has Been Generally Weak and Unsettled During Past Seven Days.

New York, Dec. 19.—The cotton market has been generally weak and unsettled during the past week with prices showing declines of from 65 to 75 points as compared with the best figures reached after the publication of the government's crop estimate last Friday. The selling movement has apparently reflected more or less general liquidation and a more aggressively bearish sentiment accompanied by continued talk of clackening trade, predictions that further ginning reports will show a crop in excess of the government's forecast, and claims that even if the south holds high-grade cotton for better prices, pressure of low grades is likely to develop, should there be no improvement in the demand. At the same time there have been comparatively few reports of southern hedge selling in either of the three large contract markets, and while it is suggested that the bulk of the demand on declines here has resulted from the realizing of recent sellers, there have also been reports of considerable trade buying against spinners fixing prices. Notwithstanding unfavorable reports as to trade and financial conditions abroad, the Liverpool market has been relatively steady during the entire week. This has led to a widening of the difference between New York and the English market, and some buying to undo old straddles, although in certain circles still wider differences are predicted, on a theory that low-grade cotton will weigh more heavily against New York than on the foreign market. The supply and distribution figures, as published by the Census Bureau last Monday, showed a smaller amount of cotton consumed by domestic mills for November than October, but as November is a short month, the statement was most generally taken as reflecting fairly well maintained activity among the mills, and the weekly figures of spinners' takings remain more nearly in line with the early, and recently reiterated bullish estimates of the world's requirements, than with the more generally pesimistic view of prevailing or prospective conditions. Private ginning returns have suggested a census report of about 12,800,000 bales ginned to December 13th from the Census Bureau tomorrow morning and have encouraged sellers, who claim that such a showing coud only be reconciled with the government's crop estimate by assuming that it represented a larger percentage of the total yield than ever before ginned to the date in question.

COMPARATIVE COTTON STATEMENT.

New York, Dec. 19.—For the week ending Friday, Dec. 19:

Net receipts at all U. S. ports during week, 356,051.

Net receipts at all U. S. ports same week last year, 359,615.

Total receipts since September 1st, 6,292,120.

Total receipts to same date last year, 6,021,925.

Exports for the week, 200,474.

Exports for same week last year, 253,043.

Total exports since September 1st, 4,702,803.

Total exports same date last year, 4,848,089.

Stock at all United States ports, 1,006,211.

Stock at all United States ports same time last year, 1,297,241.

Stock at all interior towns, 904,890.

Stock at all interior towns same time last year, 793,945.

Stock at Liverpool, 889,000.

Stock at Liverpool same time last year, 1,179,000.

Stock of American afloat for Great Britain same time last year, 468,000.

COTTON RECEIPTS.

New York, Dec. 19.—The following are the total net receipts of cotton at all ports since September 1st:

Galveston	1,911,185
New Orleans	868,124
Mobile	271,922
Savannah	1,300,380
Charleston	372,048
Wilmington	314,160
Norfolk	332,515
Baltimore	62,082
New York	1,517
Boston	8,037
Newport News	32,400
Philadelphia	128
San Francisco	103,967
Brunswick	217,260
Pensacola	102,302
Port Arthur and Sabine Pass	19,494
Jacksonville	23,136
Texas City	259,113
Seattle	28,200
Tacoma	19,961
Arnusas Pass	38,646
Minor Ports	2,471
Total bales	6,298,120

HESTER'S WEEKLY REPORT.

Shows Decrease in First Nineteen Days of December.

New Orleans, Dec. 19.—Secretary Hester's weekly New Orleans cotton exchange statement issued today shows for the 19 days of December a decrease in the totals under last year of 68,000. For the 110 days of the season that have elapsed the aggregate is ahead of the 110 days of last year 34,000.

The amount brought into sight during the past week has been 516,218 bales, against 555,080 for the seven days ending this date last year and for the 19 days of December it has been 1,515,640, against 1,583,891 last year.

The movement since September 1st shows receipts at all United States ports 6,926,149, against 6,615,800 last year.

Overland across the Mississippi, Ohio and Potomac rivers to northern mills and Canada 494,463, against 532,894 last year; interior stocks in excess of those held at the close of the commercial year 776,018, against 697,117 last year; southern mills' takings 1,406,000, against 1,093,000 last year.

Total movement for the 110 days of the season since September 1st to date 8,972,630, against 8,938,811 last year.

Foreign exports for the week have been 262,407, against 281,176 last year; making the total thus far for the season 4,743,794, against 4,856,242 last year.

The total takings of American mills, north, south and Canada, thus far for the season have been 2,681,640, against 2,360,695 last year.

Stocks at the seaboard and the 29 leading southern interior centers have increased during the week 40,495 bales against an increase during the corresponding period last season of 62,247 and are now 213,097 smaller than at this date in 1912.

Including stocks left over at ports and interior towns from the last crop and the number of bales brought into sight thus far from the new crop the supply to date is 9,299,047, against 9,303,524 for the same period last year.

From Opening Until Close of Market —Many Shares Are Marked Up Several Points.

New York, Dec. 19.—From opening to close today's stock market exhibited decided strength. The sustained advance in shares of all classes impressed both bulls and bears and there was increased buying for both accounts. Not for weeks had the market given such striking evidence of inherent strength. Many representative snares were marked up two to four points.

The movement was brought about by various influences. Increasing firmness during the last few days and evidence that disturbing liquidation had been completed gave traders more confidence. Oversold conditions among speculative stocks enabled bulls to condit aggressive operations successfully and shorts were forced to cover. Brokers reported an increase in investment buying. Considerable importance was attached to the pending enactment of the banking and currency bill. There are many different opinions as to the ultimate effect of the changes to be made, but the trading element took the view that passage of the bill would be a distinctly bullish influence.

An unofficial report from Washington that the Inter-State Commerce Commission was disposed to regard favoraby the petition of the eastern railroads for higher freight rates helped to strengthen railroads stocks. Success of the Lehigh Valley bond offering was another influence in that direction.

Another favorable bank statement was indicated. Forecasts based on known movements of currency suggested a gain of 7,000,000 or more in cash holdings.

Bonds shared in the strength of the market for stocks. Wabash-Pittsburg certificates slumped five points to ten. Total sales, par value, $2,500,000. United States bonds 2s advanced 1-4 on call. Total sales stocks were 354,400 including: American Tobacco, 200; A. C. L. ex-dividend, 700; C. & O., 1,300; Lehigh Valley, 7,000; L. & N., 300; N. & W., 1,300; Reading, 53,000; S. A. L., 100; S. A. L. preferred, 200; Southern Railway, 300; Southern Railwya preferred, 800; Tennessee Copper, 99; Union Pacific, 53,000; United States Steel, 72,000; V. C. C., 100.

CLOSING STOCK LIST.

Amalgamated Copper	70⅞
American Agricultural ex. div	43
American Beet Sugar	23¾
American Can	27½
American Can, pfd	87
American Car and Foundry	43⅝
American Cotton Oil	36½
American Ice Securities	22
American Linseed	10
American Locomotive	28¾
Amer. Smelting and Ref	62
Amer. Smelting and Ref., pfd	98
American Sugar Refining	103¾
American Tel. and Tel	117⅝
American Tobacco	245
Anaconda Mining Co	34½
Atchison	93¾
Atchison, pfd	98
Atlantic Coast Line ex. div	115⅝
Baltimore and Ohio	92½
Bethlehem Steel	30½
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	87⅛
Canadian Pacific	215⅝
Central Leather	25⅞
Chesapeake and Ohio	58¾
Chicago Great Western	11
Chicago, Mil. and St. Paul	99⅝
Chicago and North Western	125⅞
Colorado Fuel and Iron	27⅝
Consolidated Gas	128¾
Corn Products	8⅝
Delaware and Hudson	151½
Denver and Rio Grande	17⅞
Denver and Rio Grande, pfd	36⅞
Distillers' Securities	17⅝
Erie	28
Erie, 1st pfd	43¾
Erie, 2nd pfd	35
General Electric	136¼
Great Northern, pfd	125¾
Great Northern Ore Ctfs	32
Illinois Central	103¼
Interborough-Met	14⅝
Interborough-Met., pfd	59¼
Inter Harvester	100¼
Inter-Marine, pfd	13½
International Paper	8½
International Pump	5
Kansas City Southern	24
Lake Erie Gas	93
Lehigh Valley	151⅝
Louisville and Nashville	133
Minn. St. P. and Sault Ste Marie	124
Missouri, Kansas and Texas	20¾
Missouri Pacific	25¾
National Biscuit	118
National Lead	43¾
Nat. Rys. of Mexico, 2nd pfd	10⅜
New York Central ex. div	92⅞
New York, Ont. and Western	26
Norfolk and Western	103⅝
North American	65
Northern Pacific	107⅞
Pacific Mail	23⅜
Pennsylvania	108¼
People's Gas	117¼
Pittsburg, C. C. and St. Louis	80
Pittsburg Coal	18¼
Pressed Steel Car	25¼
Pullman Palace Car	150
Reading	163¾
Republic Iron and Steel	19⅞
Republic Iron and Steel, pfd	79
Rock Island Co	13⅝
Rock Island Co., pfd	20⅜
St. Louis and San Fran., 2nd pfd	6⅞
Seaboard Air Line	16⅞
Seaboard Air Line, pfd	45¼
Sloss-Sheffield Steel and Iron	26¼
Southern Pacific	86⅞
Southern Railway	22⅜
Southern Railway, pfd	75¼
Tennessee Copper	20½
Texas and Pacific	12
Union Pacific	153⅜
Union Pacific, pfd	83¼
United States Realty	53½
United States Rubber	55
United States Steel	57⅝
United States Steel, pfd	105¼
Utah Copper	48
Virginia-Carolina Chemical	26
Wabash	2¾
Wabash, pfd	8⅜
Western Maryland	32½
Western Union ex. div	60
Westinghouse Electric	61
Wheeling and Lake Erie	4
New Haven	69¾
L. and M.	217¾
L. and M., pfd	110¼
Lorillard	166½
Lorillard, pfd	110

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET.

New York, Dec. 19.—Wheat—Firm. No. 2 red, 1.00@1.01; No. 1, Northern Duluth, 99¼.

Corn—Easy, 74¾.

Flour—Dull.

Hides—Steady.

Leather—Firm.

Petroleum—Steady.

Wool—Steady.

Pork—Quiet.

Turpentine—Quiet.

Rice—Nominal.

Molasses—Firm.

Butter—Barely steady.

Cheese—Firm.

Sugar—Raw, unsettled; refined, quiet.

Coffee—Spot, steady; Rio, No. 7, 9¼; Santos, No. 4, 12½; mild, quiet; Cordova, 13@16¼.

Potatoes—Steady; unchanged.

Freights—Steady and unchanged.

Peanuts—Steady and unchanged.

Cabbages—Steady and unchanged.

Cotton Seed Oil—Higher today on the withdrawal of crude offers, resulting partly from a shortage of tank cars, covering of shorts and absence of hedge pressure. Trade was quiet and professional in character. Final prices showed a net advance of 6 to 8 points. Sales, 5,000 barrels.

Prime crude, 547, nominal; prime summer yellow, 6.65@6.90; December, 8.77; January, 6.80; February, 6.93; March, 7.06; April, 7.14; May, 7.25; June, 7.28; July, 7.35.

Prime Winter yellow, 7.50; prime summer white, 7.00@8.00.

MARINE.

Arrived.

Str. Kelvinhead (Br.), 1,946 tons, Colley, New York, via Newport News, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Str. Navahoe, Packer, Georgetown; C. J. Becker, agent.

Cleared.

Str. Kylcakin (Br.), 1,976 tons, Campbell, Charleston, Heide & Co.

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List of Vessels in Port at Wilmington, North Carolina.

Steamers.

Str. Kelvinhead (Br.), 1,946 tons, Colley; Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Str. Lingfield (Br.), 2,914 tons, Hunt; Heide & Co.

Str. Gascony (Br.), 1,942 tons, Taylor; Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Str. Kylestrome (Br.), 2,105 tons, Muir, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Schooners.

Schr. Joel Cook, 319 tons, Ray, Mafflitt & Wood.

Schr. Benjamin F. Poole, 1,099 tons, Mafflitt & Wood.

Schr. Louis F., 237 tons, Albury, Mafflitt & Wood.

Schr. Blanche H. King, 1,021 tons, Williams; Mafflitt & Wood.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 19.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE — Steady, at 41½ cents per gallon.

ROSIN—Steady, $3.45.

TAR — Firm, at $2.30 per barrel; in casks, 11c. per gallon.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Firm, $2.00 per barrel for hard; $3.00 per barrel for dip, and $3.00 per barrel for virgin.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine, 38c.; rosin, $5.75; tar, $2.20; crude turpentine, firm, at $3.25@$4.25 to $4.25.

Receipts.

Spirits Turpentine	14
Rosin	83
Tar	218
Crude Turpentine	29

Receipts same day last year — Spirits turpentine, 4 casks; rosin, 23 barrels; tar, 80 barrels; crude turpentine, 20 barrels.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—Spot, nominal for middling. Same day last year, nominal.

Receipts, 1,340. Same day last year, 2,315 bales.

Total receipts, since Sept. 1, 314,160 bales.

Total receipts same time last year, 264,364 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, Dec. 13.)

CORN—$1.90 to $1.95 per sack.

POTATOES—Irish potatoes, new crop, $1.00 per bu. Sweet potatoes, new, 60 to 70c. Very dull.

PEAS—White, $2.50 per bushel; good demand.

BEEF—Native, dressed, very dull, 6 to 8c.

PORK—Small, 9@11c.

WOOL—Burry, 11 to 12c. per lb.; free 17c. per lb.

HIDES—Green salt, 12c.; dry flints, 14@16c. per lb.

NORTH CAROLINA BACON—Old hams, 25c. per lb.; sides and shoulders, 16c. per lb.

BEESWAX—Firm, 28c. per lb.

TALLOW—Firm, 4½@5c. per lb.

POULTRY — Chickens, good demand. Grown, 40 to 45c.; Spring chickens, 15@35c. per head.

EGGS—30c. per doz.; good demand, head; very dull; no sales. Lambs, $1.50 to $2.50 per head.

TURKEYS—Live, on foot, 18c per lb.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Cotton and Naval Stores at the Port.

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 19.

Atlantic Coast Line—923 bales cotton; 4 casks spirits turpentine; 5 barrels rosin; 176 barrels tar; 5 barrels crude turpentine.

Seaboard Air Line—346 bales cotton.

Clyde Line—71 bales cotton.

Str. Alice—15 barrels crude turpentine.

Schr. Annie B.—9 barrels crude turpentine.

Schr Addie May—7 casks spirits turpentine; 58 barrels rosin; 32 barrels tar.

Schr. Thelma—3 casks spirits turpentine; 10 barrels crude turpentine.

Total—1,340 bales cotton; 14 casks spirits turpentine; 63 barrels rosin; 218 barrels tar; 29 barrels crude turpentine.

WILMINGTON PEANUT MARKET.

(Quoted by J. S. Funchess & Co.)

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 13.

Market—Weaker on Virginias. Stronger on Spanish and North Carolinas.

North Carolinas—No. 1, Machine-Picked, 1.05.

Spanish—No1, Machine-Picked, 1.15.

Virginias—No. 1, Machine-Picked, 66c.

PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET.

Reported by Rodgers, Plummer & Co., Inc.

Petersburg, Va., Dec. 18th, 1913.—Spanish—Farmers' Spanish, firm, at $1.20 per bushel.

Virginias—Fancy Jumbo, 3¾c to 4c per lb. Fancy Handpicked, 3½c per lb. Extra Prime, 3¼c per lb. Prime, 3c. per lb. Shelling Stock, 2c to 3c per lb.

WORLD'S VISIBLE SUPPLY.

Statement Issued by Hester, of New Orleans.

New Orleans, Dec. 19.—Secretary Hester's statement of the world's visible supply of cotton, issued today, shows the total visible to be 5,792,245 against 5,666,058 last week and 6,175,052 last year. Of this the total of American cotton is 4,336,245 against 4,267,058 last week and 5,033,052 last year; and of all other kinds, including Egypt, Brazil, India, etc., 1,456,000 against 1,339,000 last week and 1,092,000 last year.

Of the world's visible supply there is now afloat and held in Great Britain and continental Europe 2,969,000 against 3,378,000 last year; in Egypt 379,000 against 306,000 last year; in India 571,000 against 417,000 last year, and in the United States 1,873,000 against 2,074,000 last year.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

Liverpool, Dec. 19.—Spot cotton, good business done; prices steady; middling fair 7.67; good middling 7.33; middling 7.11; low middling 6.87; good ordinary 6.21; ordinary 5.84. Sales 12,000 bales, including 10,600 American and 2,000 for speculation and export. Receipts 40,000 including 39,500 American.

Futures closed quiet, December 6.78 1-2; December and January 6.78 1-2; January and February 6.79 1-2; February and March 6.81 1-2; March and April 6.84; April and May 6.83; May and June 6.82 1-2; June and July 6.80; July and August 6.77 1-2; August and September 6.64 1-2; September and October 6.43; October and November 6.33; November and December 6.28 1-2; December and January 6.27; January and February 6.27.

THE FINANCIAL MARKET.

New York, Dec. 19.—Call money firm 3 to 3 1-2; ruling rate 3 1-2; closing 3 1-4 to 3 1-2. Time loans weaker, 60 days 5 to 5 1-2; 90 days and six months 5. Mercantile paper 5 3-4 to 6. Sterling exchange steady, 60 days 4.81; demand 4.8520. Commercial bills 4.80 1-2. Bar silver 58. Mexican dollars 44 5-8.

WHEAT CLOSED FIRM.

Chicago, Dec. 19.—Returning confidence on the part of wheat bulls showed itself today as a result of attention being directed to the smallness of reserves on farms in the Dakotas and Minnesota. The market closed firm at ⅝ to ½ above last night.

Corn finished irregular, ¼@⅜ off to a like advance; oats with a gain of ⅛@¼ to ⅜, and provisions varying from 2½@25 decline to a rise of 7½.

Futures closed:

Wheat—May, 91¼; July, 88½.

Corn—December, 69⅝; May, 69⅝.

Oats—May, 41⅜; July, 41⅛.

Pork—January, 20.02½; May, 20.80.

Lard—January, 10.02½; May, 10.97½.

Ribs—January, 10.77½; May, 11.05.

Cash Wheat:

No. 2, red, 95½@96¼; No. 2, hard, 80¼; No. 2, Northern, 90½@91; No. 2, Spring, 89½@90¼.

Corn—No. 2, yellow, 70¾.

Oats—Standard, 41½.

THE WEATHER.

United States Department of Agriculture, Weather Bureau.

December 20, 1913.

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending at 8 P. M. Yesterday:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 35 degrees; at 8 P. M., 47 degrees; maximum, 50 degrees; minimum, 34 degrees; mean, 42 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall for the month to date, 1.49.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river, at Fayetteville, at 8 A. M., yesterday, 4.5 feet.

Weather Forecast.

For North Carolina—Cloudy Saturday; Sunday, unsettled; probably local rains.

The Port Calendar, Dec. 20.

Sun rises	7:13 A. M.
Sun sets	5:00 P. M.
Day's length	9 hrs. 47 min.

Tides.

	High water. A.M.	P.M.	Low water A.M.	P.M.
Wilmington	3:03	3:37	10:22	11:01
Southport	12:45	1:08	7:10	8:40
Masonboro Inlet	12:34	12:57	6:50	7:20

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS.

December 19, 1913.

STATIONS:	Weather at 8 P. M.	Temperature: Highest today.	Lowest Last Night.	Precipitation, 8 P. M.
Abilene	clear	56	28	.0
Asheville	cloudy	44	26	.0
Atlanta	cloudy	46	44	.0
Augusta	cloudy	48	44	.0
Augusta	cloudy	48	44	.0
Birmingham	clear	56	38	.0
Boston	clear	34	18	.0
Charleston	cloudy	56	48	.01
Charlotte	cloudy	44	32	.0
Chicago	clear	42	30	.0
Galveston	cloudy	58	54	.0
Jacksonville	cloudy	72	54	.0
Memphis	clear	58	36	.0
Mobile	cloudy	54	50	.0
Montgomery	cloudy	56	46	.0
New Orleans	cloudy	56	50	.0
New York	clear	36	24	.0
Oklahoma	cloudy	52	38	.0
Palestine	clear	54	44	.0
Pittsburg	clear	40	28	.0
Raleigh	pt cldy	46	30	.0
Savannah	cloudy	56	50	.0
Shreveport	clear	56	46	.0
St. Louis	clear	48	32	.0
Washington	clear	42	26	.0

BRADSTREET'S REPORT.

Retail and Holiday Business Held Center of Stage.

New York, Dec. 12.—Bradstreet's will say tomorrow:

"Retail and holiday business hold the center of the stage while wholesale trade and industry tend to quiet down. Salesmen are in from the road ,inventories will soon demand attention and jobbing trade, affected by backward demand at retail, caused by prolonged mild weather is slackening.

Final distribution is irregular in volume, being helped by holiday spirit in buying, but finding drawbacks in the mild weather.

Outdoory activities are naturall slackening, and the aggregate number of idle hands is larger than at any previous date this year, but in some instances pessimism seems to have run actually and something like a reaction from the blue tinged type of reports is in evidence in a few lines. There is a rather better feeling for instance in some branches of the iron trade, and pig iron sales are larger.

"Business failures for the week were 378, which compares with 322 in 1912.

"Wheat, including flour exports from the United States and Canada for the week aggregate 6,964,102 bushels, against 6,697,540 last year.'

DON'T EXPERIMENT

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Never neglect your kidneys.

If you have pain in the back, urinary disorders, dizziness and nervousness, it's time to act and no time to experiment. These are frequently symptoms of kidney trouble, and a remedy which is recommended for the kidneys should be taken in time.

Doan's Kidney Pills are a good remedy to use. It has acted effectively in many cases in this vicinity.

Can Wilmington residents demand further proof than the following testimonial?

Mrs. J. H. Gardner, Rose Hill, N. C., says: "For several years I was greatly annoyed by kidney complaint and suffered greatly from a lame and aching back. Sometimes I was hardly able to get around to do my house work. I tried many remedies, but did not get relief. Finally, I used Doan's Kidney Pills and must say that I never used another remedy that helped me as quickly. I cheerfully recommend Doan's Kidney Pills for what they have done for me."

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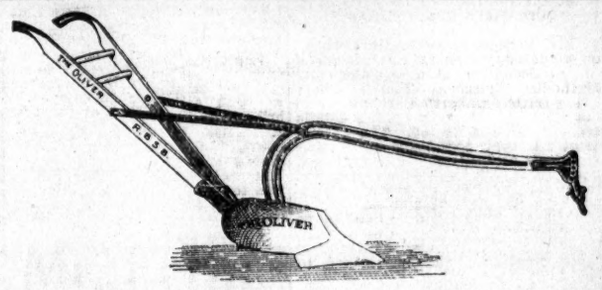
Look at our Hart Schaffner & Marx suits and overcoats at $25; if you think $12.50 or $15 is all you can afford, pay the price of two suits at one time—$25—and get more real value than the two cheap suits would give.

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with them. So long as we are dealt with in this spirit, we can help to build up the business of the country upon sound and permanent lines.

"Cordially and sincerely yours,

"WOODROW WILSON."

Mr. McReynolds in accepting the American Telephone and Telegraph Company's offer, wrote to N. C. Kingsbury, vice president of the company, as follows:

"Permit me to acknowledge, with expressions of appreciation, your letter of December 19th, outlining the course of action which the Telephone companies composing the Bell system, obligate themselves to follow in the future."

"Your frank negotiations in respect of these matters compel the belief that what you propose will be carried out in good faith; and it seems to me clear that such action on your part will establish conditions under which there will be full opportunity through the country for competition in the transmission of intelligence by wire.

"May I take this occasion to say that the administration earnestly desires to co-operate with and to promote all business conducted in harmony with law; and that, without abating the insistence that the statutes must be obeyed, it will always welcome opportunity to aid in bringing about whatever adjustments are necessary for the re-astablishment of lawful conditions without litigation."

Long Negotiation Ended.

The announcement of the agreement concluded several months of negotiation in which the attorney general and Mr. Todd and Mr. Kingsbury, Theodore N. Vail, president of the American Telephone & Telegraph Co., and other parties on both sides conferred.

Mr. McReynolds took up the question early in this administration. As point by point in a tentative scheme was worked out, Mr. Kingsbury carried it to New York, submitted it to the directors of the companies interested, and in every instance obtained the approval of the department and of the companies.

The plan finally was submitted to the Attorney General. Some details are yet to be perfected. The department has such confidence in the corporation's desire to do the right thing, however, that it has left such matters to its officers and any reasonable request for time will be granted.

Although exact information as to the extent of Western Union stock held by the Bell Co. was not available here tonight, it was understood to be about 30 per cent. Mr. McReynolds has no desire to force the combine to clear its treasury of this stock in a week or a month, or in any set period of time.

From the point of view of a subscriber to an independent telephone system, one of the most interesting parts of the agreement is that promising him use of the through lines of the Bell Co. Under the agreement an independent company may secure connection with Bell toll lines by supplying standard trunk lines to connect with the Bell toll boards, the Bell Co. operating the entire toll circuit when connections are made.

Future Plans.

Service will be given Bell subscribers or subscribers of other independent companies served by exchanges more than 50 miles distant from the place where the call originates, independent subscribers paying in addition to the regular Bell toll charge a connection charge of ten cents for each message. This charge will not be made on business known as "long lines" business and long lines business will be accepted for less than 50 miles as well as for a greater distance.

The authorized capital stock of the Bell company December 31st, 1912, was $500,000,000, its bonded indebtedness at that time about $105,000,000. From October 1906 to April of the current year it had paid 8 per cent annually. The Western Union has an authorized capital of $100,000,000, practically all of which has been issued. Late in 1911 the American Telephone & Telegraph Co. held more than $29,000,000 of this stock. The Western Union has paid 3 per cent since January, 1909.

Officials do not believe that either company will be affected greatly by the announcement tonight. Mr. McReynolds has been told that the American Telephone & Telegraph despite its stockholdings in the Western Union, has treated the Postal Telegraph Co., with equal opportunity for use of its facilities.

Vail Makes Statement.

Lyndonville, Vt., Dec. 19.—Theodore N. Vail, president of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, gave out the following statement tonight on the proposed re-organization of his company and its separation from the Western Union Telegraph Company:

"The correspondence published was the result of a protracted and exhaustive discussion between the attorney general and our company and speaks for itself. We are complying with the wishes of the government because we desire that our operations shall continue to be as we always have believed them to be, "in strict conformity to law and for that reason we are now adjusting them to the law as understood and interpreted by the attorney general.

"We are confident that under the proposed changes neither the Bell system nor the Western Union will suffer and that both will continue to give the same and increasing efficient service to the public.

"Some economics and some services which were contemplated under the complementary operation of the two companies cannot now be realized, but it is hoped that all now in operation will, after thorough consideration be found to be within the law.

"In relinquishing the Western Union, while we do so with great regret, we have the satisfaction of knowing that it is in better physical and financial condition than it was when we took it over, and that the shareholders soon would be benefitted in some measure by hat has been done.

"We can only speak in the highest terms of the consideration with which we were treated by the attorney general throughout the whole negotiations."

PEYTON SUCCEEDS THOMAS.

As President of Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis.

Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 19.—John Howe Peyton, chief engineer of construction of the Louisville & Nashville Railroad, was today elected president of the Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis Railway, effective April 1st, 1914, to succeed the late John W. Thomas.

Mr. Peyton was elected general manager of the road last January. He has been prominent in the construction of the new Lewisburg and Northern Railroad, a Louisville & Nashville line, and has been assistant to President Milton H. Smith, of the Louisville & Nashville.

DENY CURRENT REPORT.

That Breech Has Been Made Among Panama Officials.

Panama, Dec. 19.—With reference to reports published in the United States that relations between Col. George W. Goethals, chairman of the Isthmian canal commission, and Richard L. Metcalfe, head of the department of civil administration, were strained, the following letter sent by Col. Goethals under date of December 18th to Mr. Metcalfe was made public today:

"Your letter of even date with enclosed newspaper clipping, received. No one regrets more than I the attacks made upon you in the public press. That we held different views on the question of permanent organization in no wise affected the relations which existed between us and the congressional hearings will show that others entertained views similar to ours without prejudice to them.

"You were the first to inform me that an employe of the commissary department was circulating information concerning the commissary alleging graft on the part of some officials connected with that department. You at the same time offered your services and expressed a desire to protect the work against scandal, subsequently assisting me in the preliminary investigation and in securing all information possible in connection with the matter.

"There is no truth in the statement that I became offended because you recommended Mr. Thompson as the successor to Mr. Burke and I recognized in this your desire to aslst me by recommending a man you considered to possess the necesary qualifications.

"The newspaper article in question misrepresents your attitude and the relations existing between us. No friction has existed at any time. You have loyally co-operated with me, as you stated you would as when you first came to the Isthmus and I appreciate the service you have rendered."

THE GRAFT TRIAL IN MISSISSIPPI.

Lieutenant Governor of State Charged With Receiving Bribe.

Vicksburg, Miss., Dec. 19.—A woman was brought into the trial today of State Senator G. A. Hobbs, charged with soliciting and receiving a bribe from Stephen Castleman, of Belzoni, Miss. In outlining its case to the court, the defense maintained that Hobbs and Lieutenant Governor Bilbo's only business with Castleman was to try to wring from him admission that he offered a woman $2,500 to help pass his "new county" bill. Bilbo and Hobbs are jointly indicted on a charge of receiving $200 and agreeing to receive $2,000 more from Castleman in exchange for their vote and influence favoring a "new county" bill in the next Legislature. Defense attorneys maintained that Bilbo and Hobbs had heard Castleman offered to Mrs. M. L. Turnage $2,500 to aid in the fight and that their only business with him was to force him to admit that he had done this. That was the reason Hobbs met Castleman several times at Bilbo's suggestion, the defense maintains.

Mrs. Turnage is the editor of two newspapers in Mississippi and was postmaster of the House at the last session of the Legislature. It was because of her alleged illness at this time that the defense was forced to outline its case now. The defense moved a continuance of the case on the ground that one of its principal witnesses, Mrs. Turnage, was ill. The motion was overruled and trial proceeded.

At 8 o'clock when court adjourned a jury had been completed. It is expected that taking of testimony will be started tomorrow morning.

IN HANDS OF RECEIVER.

Railroad Failed to Pay Interest on Bonds.

Mobile, Ala., Dec. 19.—The New Orleans, Mobile & Chicago Railroad was thrown into the hands of a receiver today through a petition filed by the Metropolitan Trust Co., of New York, in the Federal district court. Judge Toulmin immediately appointed Col. W. F. Owen, president of the railroad, as receiver. President Owen announced that the road would be operated as heretofore except under the approval of the Federal court. Joseph C. Rich, general counsel for the New Orleans, Mobile & Chicago, made this statement:

"The immediate cause necessitating the receivership was the failure of the company to pay the interest on its bond issue last July. The receivership is preliminary to a readjustment of the company's finances on a better basis."

The bonds are held by the Metropolitan Trust Co., aggregating $12,000,000.

The New Orleans, Mobile & Chicago is controlled jointly by the 'Frisco and the Louisville & Nashville railroad systems.

PRESIDENT GOES TO COAST.

Pass Christian, Miss., Selected for Vacation Home.

Gulfport, Miss., Dec. 19.—Judge W. H. Hardy, of this city, today received a telegram from Senator Vardaman in Washington requesting Mr. Hardy to locate a furnished cottage at Pass Christian suitable for occupancy by President Wilson during his vacation.

Washington, Dec. 19.—President Wilson decided some time ago to go to the gulf coast for his vacation and Pass Christian has been regarded as the place he probably would select. With prospects bright for having the currency bill out of the way by Monday, the President expects to leave for the South about Tuesday. He will be acompanied by his family and hopes to spend two weeks in quiet, away from business and public affairs.

The President will return to Washington in time for the diplomatic reception on January 13th.

BAD WEATHER FOR CHRISTMAS.

Weather Bureau Predicts Change All Over Land.

Washington, Dec. 19.—Christmas weather is likely to be unsettled, the government forecaster said tonight. While they are not able to predict exactly whether Christmas day will be cold or warm, stormy or calm, the experts are reasonably certain that over almost all the country there will be a change next week from the pleasant weather of the past ten days.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 19.—In an action for $300,000 by the Richmond Cedar Works against the John L. Roper Lumber Company, a jury today gave a verdict in favor of the defendant, holding the John L. Roper Lumber Co., not liable for certain heavy fire losses sustained by the Richmond Cedar Works in the Dismal swamp section. It was alleged that the fires were caused by sparks from the defendants' engines.

Charleston, S. C., Dec. 19.—Wireless advices received at the navy yesterday reported that the battleship Ohio is to arrive here at 7 A. M. Sunday for fumigation before proceeding south.

CURRENCY REFORM BILL PASSED SENATE 54 TO 34

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Federal reserve bank or an officer or director of any member bank.

Amendment Added.

"I do not believe that any United States Senator or member of Congress should be allowed to directly or indirectly profit from this legislation," said Senator LaFollette. "There have been intimations afloat that organizations are contemplating under this legislation that may be participated in by members of one or both Houses of Congress."

This amendment was adopted without a roll call. The second amendment provided that no member of the Federal reserve board, any officer or director of a regional, or member bank, should be a director or officer of any other bank, trust company or insurance company.

This, Senator LaFollette said, was designed to prevent the "money trust" from gaining control of the new system through interlocking directorates.

Senator Owen declared he favored prohibition against interlocking directorates, but that the LaFollette amendment would destroy much of the effectiveness of the new law. It was defeated 51 to 30.

Senator Hitchcock announced his purpose to vote for the Senate bill as finally completed, because of its great importance to the financial world. "My whole fight has been to strengthen and improve the bill and to prevent hasty and blundering legislation," he said.

Senator Weeks said he would vote for the measure because it was 75 per cent good and only 25 per cent bad and an improvement over existing conditions.

President Gratified.

President Wilson was gratified that the currency bill was passed by so big a margin, but he issued no formal statement of comment.

It became known tonight that several Democratic Senators were endeaving to secure an agreement among the members of their party in Congress not to recommend any one to the President for position on the Federal reserve board, leaving the subject as free from political influence as possible. Senator Kern is being urged to issue a statement of this kind on behalf of the Democrats of the Senate.

To Work Today.

The House tonight adjourned to 10 o'clock tomorrow morning instead of to noon as usual, so as to formally reject the Senate amendment to the bill and pave the way for immediate action by the Senate when that body convenes at noon. The conferees of the two Houses probably will be at work within a few minutes after the Senate meets.

GRAVES FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY

Friends of Mt. Airy Solicitor Urge Him for Federal Plum.

Winston-Salem, N. C., Dec. 19.—Developments in the contest for the district attorneyship have aroused local admirers of Solicitor Porter Graves, of Mount Airy, in his behalf, and it is understood that renewed efforts will be made in his behalf. It is announced that he has recently received the personal endorsement of a majority of the members of the Winston-Salem Bar Association, along with the endorsement of many of the bar associations over the State, and friends declare that so far as endorsements are concerned there is not an aspirant that can overreach him. Among the strong endorsements now on file in Washington are those of Chief Justice Clark, Judge Connor and an especially strong document by Judge Boyd, of the Federal court bench at Greensboro.

HETCH-HETCHY BILL SIGNED.

President Wilson Attached His Signature to Document.

Washington, Dec. 19.—President Wilson today signed the Hetch-Hetchy bill, granting a public water supply to San Francisco. He accompanied his signature with a statement declaring that he believed the public needs of the region concerned were served by the bill without impairing the usefulness of the public domain.

The statement added: "The bill was opposed by so many public-spirited men that I have naturally sought to scrutinize it very closely. I believe the bill to be, on the whole, in the public interest, and I am the less uncertain in that judgment because I find it concurred in by men whose best energies have been devoted to conservation and the safeguarding of the people's interest."

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